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RECOVERED WILDLIFE—Joe Rogers of the Wildlife Recovery Association, Shepherd, displays the wing power of one of the injured predatory birds his group has nursed back to health. Rogers brought several birds with him for a talk at the annual meeting of the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District at Roscommon High School February 12. See story on page 3.

Camp Grayling weekend training numbers to increase

The number of troops expected for annual training at Camp Grayling this year is about the same as last year but the number of soldiers expected here for weekend training is estimated to be about 11,000 higher than last year.

Approximately 20,249 soldiers will spend two weeks of annual training at Camp Grayling. Last year, about 20,787 soldiers conducted annual training here.

The weekend training will involve about 38,605 soldiers this year, up from 27,370 in 1991.

Most of the troops here for annual training will spend the first week in the field and have the middle weekend off, according to Camp Grayling Public Affairs Officer Major Jerry Foehl. The second week of training will likely involve one day at a time exercises

allowing more free time for troops. Foehl said allowing the troops the middle weekend off is a major policy change. For the last six years Army command has directed that most troops stay in the field through the first weekend. Individual states now have the choice and many are scheduling the middle weekend off for the troops.

The largest encampment this year will involve Michigan troops from June 13-27 with 8,583 Michigan Army National Guard at Camp Grayling. (See other encampments in chart.)

The large weekend groups begin coming in March with 1,039 troops expected. The largest weekend group of 4,514 is expected May 14-17.

Major Foehl said although more troops will be at Camp Grayling during weekends, that doesn't necessar-

ily mean more noisy field exercises on the weekends. He said many of the troops are combat support units and have classes scheduled for the weekend.

Camp Grayling

Weekend Training 1992

Feb. 29-March 2	178
March 6-8	1039
March 13-15	607
March 21-22	271
March 27-29	58
April 3-5	2599
April 10-12	3618
April 24-26	1277
May 1-3	2532
May 8-10	471
May 14-17	4514
May 29-31	310
June 5-7	1022
June 12-14	509
July 10-12	878
July 18-19	1806
July 25-26	60
August 1-2	1205
August 7-9	1198
August 14-16	615
August 22-23	350
Sept. 11-13	2232
Sept. 17-20	1704
Sept. 25-27	450
	38,605

(Total is for fiscal year 1992. Included in total are weekend numbers from October 4, 1991, to February 23, 1992.)

Camp Grayling Annual Training 1992

Feb. 1-15	MI ARNG (CWOS)	349
Feb. 16-March 12	US ARMY (2/10 Spec. Forces)	200
Feb. 22-March 7	OH ARNG (1/136 FA BN)	311
May 2-May 16	MI ARNG	213
May 30-June 13	USAR (314 MI BN) US Army Reserve	532
June 13-27	MI ARNG	8,583
June 27-July 4	MI Law Enforcement Academy (Police/Youth)	125
July 11-25	OH ARNG (107 ACR)	3,870
July 18-August 1	OH ARNG (637 CSC)	115
July 25-August 8	OH ARNG (73 SIB)	3,958
August 8-29	USAR Marine Wing Support Group 47, 152 IN BN	1,993
		20,249

Tougher drunk driving laws working in county

By Lori Swarthout

At the Riverside Tavern in Lovells, the crowd is drinking less, enjoying the good food and companionship more, and going home earlier. These are just a few of the positive effects of the new drunk driving laws which became effective January 1, 1992.

According to Crawford County Sheriff's Department's Lieutenant Jim Parker, the statewide 47% figure for alcohol related traffic fatalities is low compared to Crawford County and the new laws are enabling the Sheriff's Department to do something about it. He stated that many licenses have already been destroyed by sheriff deputies under the new law and that these new powers should help reduce

that fatality figure.

Crawford County Magistrate Jean Callewaert does not yet know of anyone sentenced under the new law, which requires courts to decide drunk driving cases within 77 days after an arrest. She predicts that a big deterrent to drunk drivers will be the mandatory 30 day license suspension for a first offense, with no appeals. A second offense now carries mandatory jail time or community service. Driving drunk and causing injury or death are now felonies. Driving with a suspended or revoked license now is more costly, raising the cost of drinking and driving to as much as \$4,000.00 plus increased insurance costs.

According to patrolman Karl

DeVries of the Grayling City Police, people are "using better judgement, more people are using designated drivers." Some bars are cooperating with the designated driver program by providing free soft drinks to designated drivers.

According to Sandy Johnson of Holiday Inn's Speak Easy Saloon, more people are participating in the designated driver program and if someone is cut off from drinks they respond more positively.

DeVries has indicated that the Grayling City Police have also cut up drivers' licenses and predicts a decline in the number of drunk driving arrests. "I like the new law, I think it's going to be pretty effective," he said.

Specialty Clinic adds Dermatologist

The Specialty Clinic at Mercy Hospital was designed to provide a comprehensive range of medical services which otherwise were not available in Grayling. The newest specialist to open a satellite clinic at Mercy Hospital is Mark Saunders, M.D., Dermatologist. Dr. Saunders

specializes in the medical and surgical treatment of disorders of the skin.

"The skin is the largest organ of the human body," explained Dr. Saunders. "Although we take it for granted the skin often reflects the general condition of our body's health. Its external location makes it uniquely susceptible to a wide variety of disorders."

It is not surprising that people of all age groups develop skin diseases which require the services of a skin specialist. Some of the common problems seen by dermatologists include acne, warts, moles, rashes, skin infections, eczema, psoriasis, hair loss, and skin cancers. However, dermatologists also are familiar with skin problems related to general medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, endocrinology, and other medical specialties.

Dr. Saunders attended The College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, where in 1984 he earned his bachelor of arts degree in chemistry. While in college, he was honored by being inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest national society for the recognition of high

scholarship. Dr. Saunders then attended The Medical College of Ohio in Toledo where he earned his M.D. degree in 1987. He served a one year internship at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He then completed a three year residency in dermatology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. During his final year of training at Henry Ford, Dr. Saunders served as Chief Resident of the Dermatology Department, one of the largest dermatology training centers in the country.

Dr. Saunders is board certified by the American Board of Dermatology and is a fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology. In addition, he has given presentations at national dermatology meetings held in Seattle, Wash., Atlanta Ga., and San Francisco, Calif.

Dr. Saunders is welcoming new patients into his practice. His first clinic in Grayling will be held Monday, March 9. For an appointment call Northwestern Michigan Dermatology at 616-947-7100.



Dr. Mark Saunders

GHS band earns top rank at districts 3rd year in row

The Grayling High School band earned a I ranking—the highest possible—for the fourth straight year at the Michigan School Band and

Orchestra Association (M.S.B.O.A.) District 2 band festival, held February 22 in Traverse City.

The band, which earned straight I

ratings by all four judges, performed *Minuteman* by Pearson, *A Festival Prelude* by Reed and *Fortress* by

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SNOW GETTING DEEPER—Even though Spring is supposed to be getting closer, more snow on Monday night gave the countryside a white look. Heavy snowfall in February is adding up, making up for less-than-average snowfall in December and January. (Steven Kazup photo)

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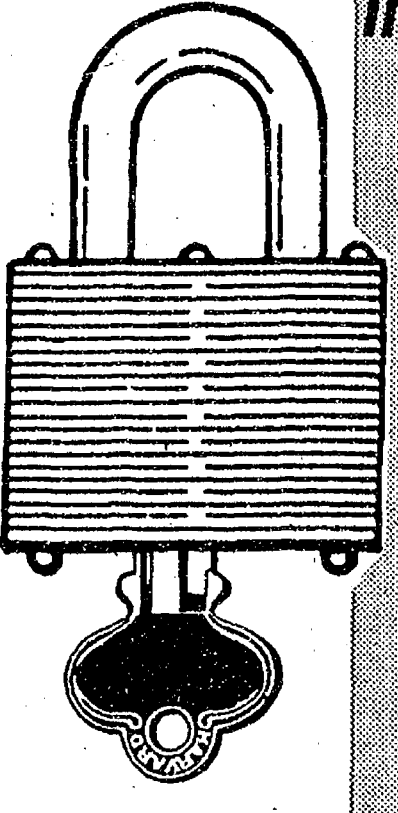
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Couple reunited after 34 years

Thirty four years ago the romance of Ernie Barber and Sandra (Schotte) Every was interrupted when Ernie went into the service for four years.

Sandra was born in Grayling and raised in Waters. Ernie was raised in Frederic and graduated from high school in 1957. They went together from 1956-58 until he went into the service in 1958. They lost track of each other and after she graduated in 1958 she was married. Ernie also married later.

Sandra at one time operated a gas station and general store in Grayling along Old 27 with her first husband. Both of her sons were born here.

In 1990, after 32 years apart, they met again. They both were single and Ernie had been looking for her on and off for about eight months in the Mt. Pleasant area where she had moved.

"He finally found me in a K mart store where I was working," Sandra said. "I didn't recognize him at first."

He told her she looked as pretty as ever and when she knew it was him their romance started again.

On the day after Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 15, 1992, they were married in the lobby of Chief Shoppenagon's. (They wanted to be married on Valentine's Day but Ernie had to work that Friday.) They will be residing in Frederic.



MARRIED 34 YEARS LATER--Ernie Barber, right, and Sandra (Schotte) Every, middle, were married here February 15, thirty-four years after their original engagement. At left is the bride's mother, Cecelia Schotte.

Local Weather

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	rain or snow	Snow on ground
2/19	32	29	0.23	15"
2/20	32	30	0.04	15"
2/21	32	5	0.23	17"
2/22	33	5		17"
2/23	36	17	0.03	16"
2/24	32	17		16"
2/25	37	24	0.23	18"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake:

Wednesday will be partly sunny with the highs in the mid 30s and the lows in the mid 20s. Wednesday night and Thursday will be mostly cloudy with occasional flurries. Thursday's temperatures will remain the same for high and low, running in the mid 30s. Friday we will have scattered rain or snowshowers. The high will be in the 30s with a low of around 20. Saturday will be partly cloudy with a high in the 30s and a low in the 20s.

5th annual Pictionary Olympics draw near

Get ready... get set... and plan to play the exciting game of Pictionary during the 5th annual Pictionary Olympics sponsored by the Grayling Promotional Association.

This fund raising event for the annual Milltown Parade will be held Thursday evening March 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall in Grayling. Businesses, organizations, or even a group of friends can sponsor a team of contestants age 18 and older. The teams will be vying for Pictionary bragging rights in Crawford County. Sponsorship is \$50 per team. For those interested in watching this fun event, but not brave enough to enter, a \$2 admission fee will be charged.

Trophies will be awarded to the winning teams. The reigning champions for the past two years, the team from Lyle Girl and Kathleen's Plus Fashions, are looking forward to challenging your team. Send your \$50 donation made out to the Grayling Promotional Association to: Pictionary Olympics, c/o Mac's Drugs Store, 122 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

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Grayling residents win conservation district contest

Two Grayling residents were among 12 people who received awards for their entries in the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District's photography contest at the district's annual meeting at Roscommon High School February 12.

Arla Meininger won third prize in the wildlife division and Debra Denton of Grayling tied for third place in the wetlands/shorelines division.

Other photography contest winners, in order by division, were: wildlife—Rich McMahon of St. Helen and Darwin Brushaber of Houghton Lake; farming—Ezra Curtis and Mary Ann Tuck, both of Houghton Lake; conservation—Roberta Buss of Prudenville and Joe Trzeciak and Sue Trzeciak, both of Houghton Lake; forestry—Dan Fuller of Dearborn, Roberta Buss and Sue Trzeciak; wetlands/shorelines—William Jones

of Bay City, Sue Schroeder of St. Helen and Dan Fuller (tie) and Ezra Curtis.

Three district residents were honored for their conservation efforts. John and Marge Arquette, AuSable Township, Roscommon County, received the district's Forestry/Wildlife Conservation award. They were recognized for planting more than 8,000 tree and shrub seedlings, establishing two wildlife ponds and

using rock rip-rap to control erosion on their 60 acres. They also have planted four windbreaks, established a number of grain plots for wildlife, used selective harvesting to improve their woodlot and established a picnic and camping area for their family.

Ned Wickes, Higgins Lake, was named Friend of Conservation. Wickes is a member of the Roscommon Resource Conservation and Development Committee, which last

year conducted an inventory of erosion problems at road ends and major storm drains at Higgins Lake last summer. Wickes was instrumental in securing funding for publication of the road end erosion inventory. He is a member of the Higgins Lake Advisory Committee and the Higgins Lake Property Owners Association.

In the election of members of the conservation district's board of directors, James Bischoff of Houghton Lake and Glenn Schicker of Roscommon were retained in their positions.

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Military funds bald eagle study

The Michigan Department of Military Affairs (MDMA) will continue to fund the fourth and final year of a research project on an eagle nesting site that has been located at the edge of the Camp Grayling military reservation.

According to John W. Hunt, Camp Grayling's Environmental Manager, \$15,503 has been spent on the cooperative effort among the MDMA, USDA Forest Service Huron-Manistee National Forest, and Michigan State University Pesticide Research Center. An additional \$7,000 has been allocated to finish this year's study.

Elements of the study to determine the breeding biology of bald eagles at Camp Grayling include: adult activity and breeding habitat use, foraging habits, and the effects of human disturbance. Data is collected via nest observations, a noise monitoring station, satellite telemetry tracking devices, blood plasma collection, and food analysis. Andrea G. Sikkenga, Camp Grayling Environmental

Specialist, has coordinated and monitored the project since 1989.

Upon locating the nest, this year's study will commence in early Spring, and continue through the end of June.

The Bald Eagle is a state and federally threatened species, and is protected by law. Signs will be posted to restrict activity within buffer zones around the nesting site.

Travel & Adventure series visits Australia March 5

The next port of call for the Crawford AuSable Community Education Travel and Adventure series is Australia. The guide for this trip will be Hugh Pope.

From the big cities of Sydney and Perth, to the Great Barrier Reef, Pope will acquaint viewers with the wide range of beautiful countryside and its people. Among other things, the tour will feature aerial photos, a scenic drive through Southern Tasmania, a train trip across the Nullarbor desert, and a coach tour of the shoreline and

plantations.

Viewers will also visit cities such as Melbourne, Brisbane, and Port Arthur. Although Australia is a faraway country, a continent near the Antarctic and surrounded by thousands of miles of ocean, Hugh Pope will bring the land which is nearly the size of the United States to your seat on Thursday, March 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. Tickets at \$3.50 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students, will be available at the door.

District Court

William Timothy Perry, 24, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of I-Impaired Driving and II-Driving Suspended, and was fined I-\$525 or 60 days plus his license was suspended 90 days, II-fines and costs suspended. He was cited September 4, 1991, by the City Police Dept.

Patrick Henry Graczyk, 32, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525 or 60 days, two days in the County Jail, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited by the City Police Dept.

John Lyle Nowlin, 32, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited November 3, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Harold Carl Glomski, 28, of Flint, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited October 25, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

James William Kelly Jr., 29, of Gladwin, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited October 11, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Jeffery Wayne Dobrowalski, 37, of Gaylord, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525

or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited November 28, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Patricia Ann Barnes, 38, of Erie, was sentenced on the charge of OUIL, and was fined \$675 or 60 days, plus her license was revoked. She was cited October 12, 1991, by the State Police Dept.

Edna Rice, 50, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of City Ordinance #4—Disorderly Person, and was fined \$155 or 14 days. She was cited November 26, 1991, by the City Police Dept.

Kathleen Lee Coe, 34, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of City Ordinance #4—Disorderly Person, and was fined \$105 or 10 days. She was cited October 8, 1991, by the City Police Dept.

Jeffrey George Lynd, 26, of Gaylord, plead guilty to a charge of Disorderly Person By Intoxication—Likely Endangering Self and Others, and was fined \$155 or 14 days. He was cited November 15, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Ricky Lee Hauff, 31, of Atlanta, plead guilty to a charge of NSF Check Under \$50, and was fined \$155 or 14 days, restitution paid. He was cited May 31, 1991, by the City Police Dept.

Robert S. Gilbert, 29, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of NSF Check

Under \$50, and was fined \$155 or 14 days, restitution paid. He was cited August 5, 1991.

Debbie Ann Curtis, 27, of Frederic, plead guilty to a charge of False Pretenses Under \$100, and was placed on one year probation with the last 30 days in the County Jail. She was cited November 13, 1990.

Guillermo Michael Garcia, 38, of Bay City, had the charge of Obstruction Of Justice dismissed without prejudice since the witness failed to appear.

Michael Paul Sherey, 18, of Roscommon, demanded a preliminary exam to two counts of Uttering & Publishing. A \$10,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Timothy Gregory Hultquist, 17, of St. Helen, demanded a preliminary exam to two counts of Uttering & Publishing. A \$10,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Todd Michael Kercher, 26, of Roscommon, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of OUIL 3rd Offense. A \$20 cash or surety bond was set.

Jackie Ryan, 21, of Grayling, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$10,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Randy Craig Johnson, 31, of Grayling, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

GHS Band hit top ranking

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Director Dennis Ormsbee, who typically chooses challenging music for the GHS band, said the Reed piece is on the Class A play list (Grayling is considered Class C for M.S.B.O.A. events) and was played by the University of Michigan-Flint band at its Grayling concert last fall. *Fortress* was performed by the district honors band last year.

"The band really peaked on Saturday," said Ormsbee. "It was a culmination of all their practices. (They) did a really nice job playing on the stage, and also displayed a high maturity level while there and on the trip there and back."

"This is a very fine band," wrote one judge in his comments.

"This was a truly wonderful performance you gave us today," wrote another on the critique form. "I hope that you realize the fine level of playing that you are on. It was a joy to hear you. Bravo!"

The four judges are typically high school band directors. Three evaluate the band's performance on its three rehearsed pieces and the fourth one ranks the band on a sight reading exercise.

With its I ranking, the GHS band now is eligible to compete at the state festival, to be held on April 25 in Grayling.

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World Day of Prayer observed March 6

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Mr. Gary Crosby from Environmental Services will speak regarding ecology.

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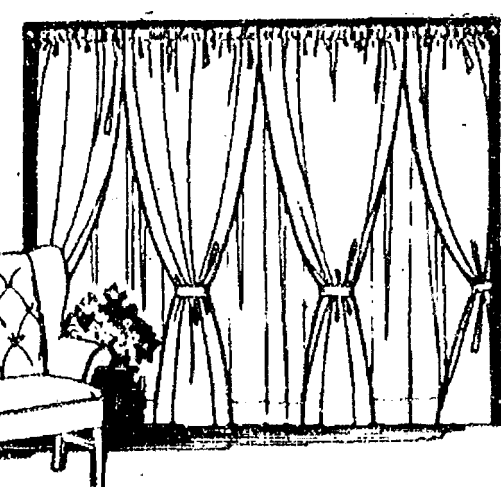
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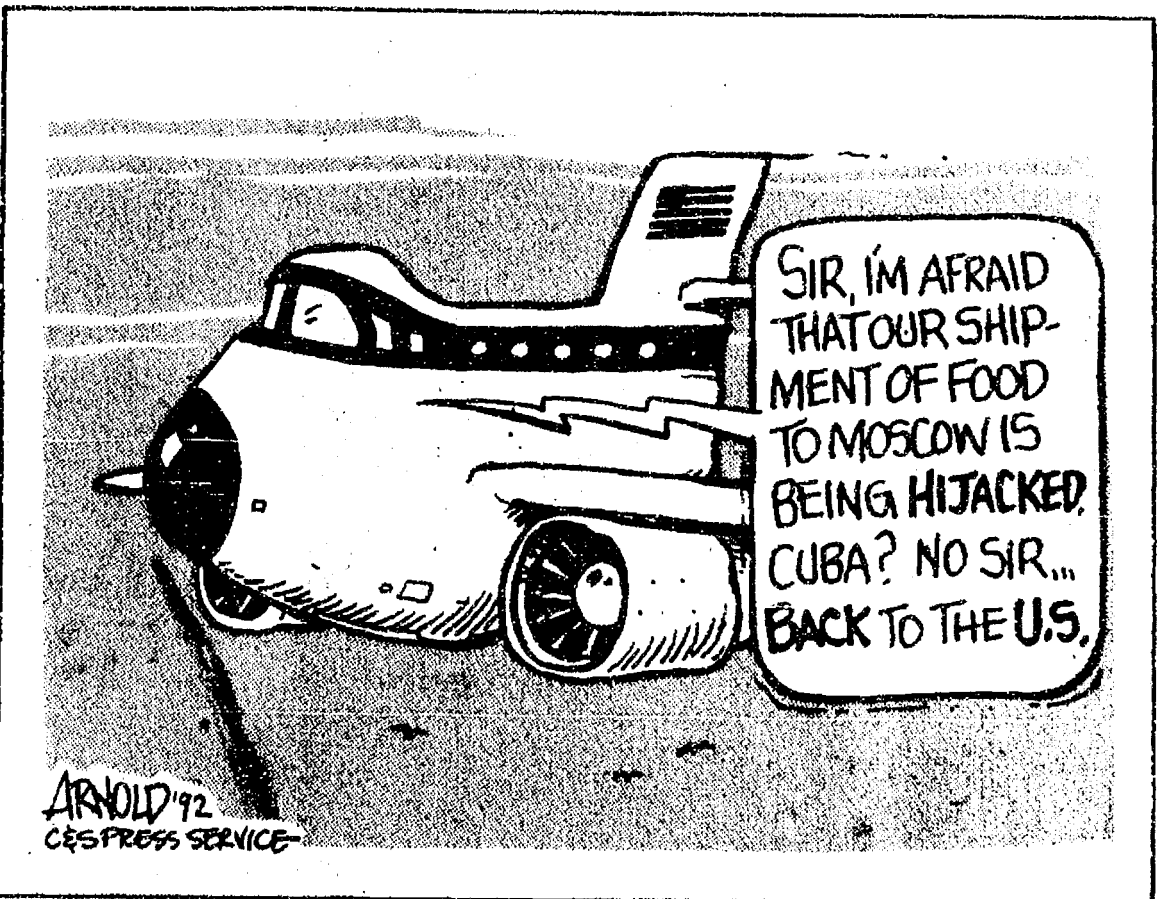
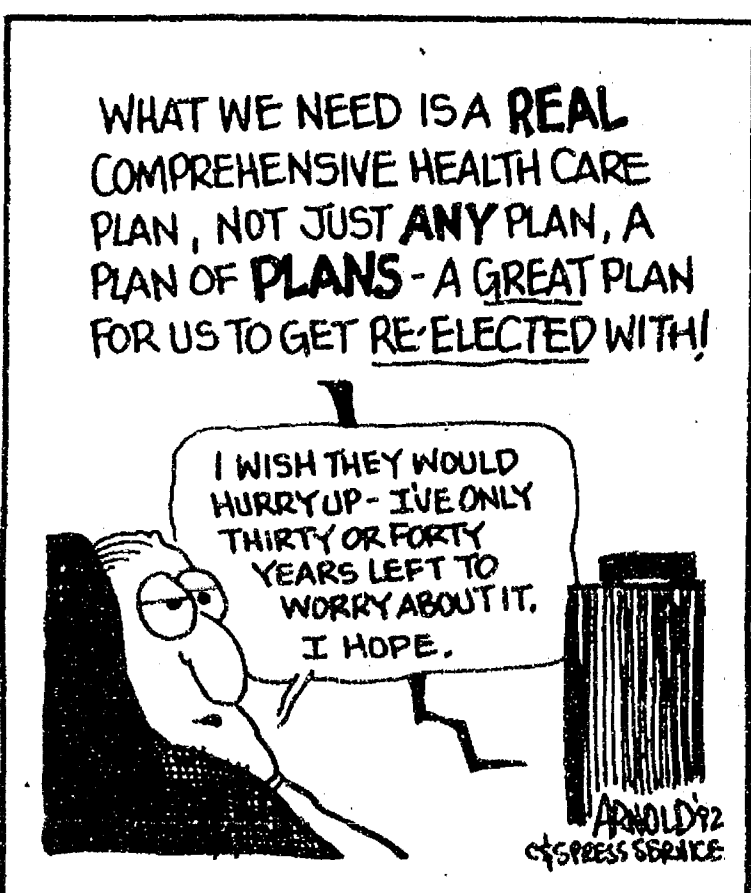
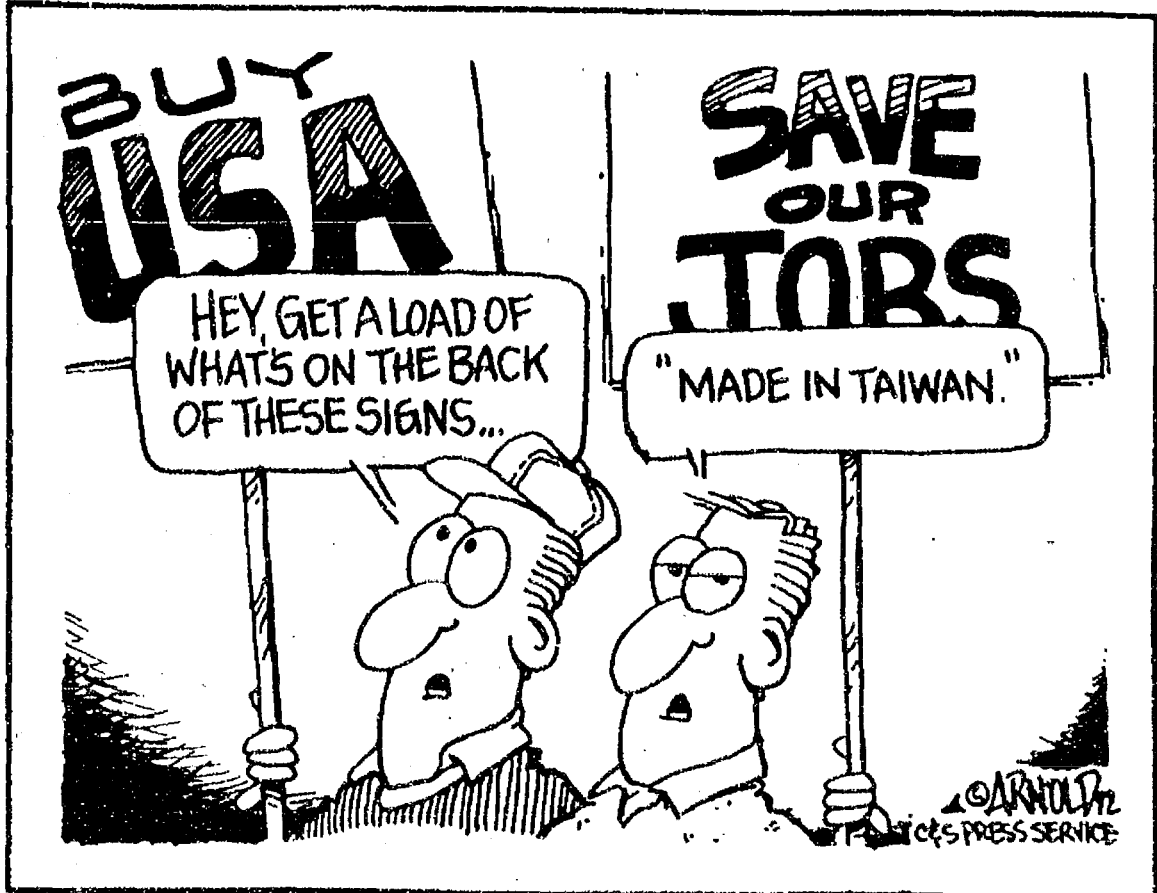
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Let's Talk About It

By Joe Murphy



Well, we have just about got the winter of '92 drove up in a corner. By the time this appears in the paper we will have February about whipped. March, of course, can be a real humdinger at times, but we know that spring is just around the corner. Before we know it we'll be getting out the rakes and cleaning up the yard. Sure will be happy when I can sit out on the porch in the evening and kind of watch the old town settle in for the night. It is real nice when you can walk out the door without putting on all that cold weather junk of coat, cap, boots, and gloves. So, though we may get some bad weather yet, we can look ahead to nice days soon.

I really look forward to those nice warm spring days that I feel is our reward for living through the long winter. I know that the snowbirds that head south for the winter are not as impressed with spring as those of us who have toughed out the bad days of winter. We do a lot of complaining about the weather in this area but still we are very lucky. Those folks in California who are being flooded out would be very happy to change places for awhile. How in the world will they every get their homes cleaned and dried out again?

We can cope with what inconvenience and damage we have in this part of the country due to the weather but how would we face those flood waters? At times I see and read about another part of our country and think I would like to go there to live but my roots are buried too deep

in our Crawford County sand to pull them up and go. Here where my great grandparents, and my parents lived out their days, I will too. A drive over to the Fife Lake area and I can see the farm that my Great Grandfather Murphy started well over a hundred years ago. The little church yard nearby is the resting place of my great great grandmother, my great grandparents, and my grandparents. In the Grayling cemetery I find the graves of my maternal grandparents Charron. In the Frederic cemetery my beloved parents in the family plot where I will someday rest await me. How could I go to another part of the country where I would have no roots to nurture me?

I guess I was born without that wanderlust that some people have. I remember one family up in Frederic who every few years would take off seeking greener pastures. After a few months they would write to some of the stay-at-homes telling them of the great land of milk and honey they had found. Those who were foolish enough to go there found themselves needing gas money to get home. When I pass on I will be buried within a half mile of where I was born so I guess you know I have never been one to wander around much. Never found much reason why I should.

Deadlines Doodles From The Tall Timber

Community news items submitted to the *Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-by-11-inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper please use every other line.

Wendell L. Hoover Park Interpreter, Hartwick Pines State Park

Last week, I was asked why the numbers of song birds did not seem to be on a par with the numbers seen in years past. There has, in the last few years, been an alarm sounded by ornithologists around the world about the decline in the numbers of birds, especially those that migrate. Most of the problem has been laid to a destruction of habitat, not only in the summer range, but in the wintering range.

The removal of a small piece of habitat, whether it is grass or forest land, for what ever reason, seems of little consequence, but when this is multiplied many fold, the ramifications become apparent. What can or should be done is not for me to say, but it has become increasingly apparent that the overall environmental health and welfare of our wild neighbors is indicative of our well being. As an individual, I can keep my

feeder stocked with a variety of provisions which cater to the various feeding requirements of those birds who have chosen to tough it out here like the long White Crowned Sparrow, which should be somewhere in the Southern U.S. Mexico or Cuba.

Almanack

Richard Milliman

'Middle class' is a big target

RUMBLINGS ABOUT TAX changes are heard throughout the land in this election year, both from candidates seeking voter favor, and from office holders who soon will be.

The aim of almost all tax proposals heard so far is to help the middle class.

In fact, if you listen to enough campaign rhetoric, that's probably the only reason most of the presidential candidates are running — to help the middle class.

Who could oppose such a position? Certainly not the middle class, and certainly not any fair minded voter who might be in some other class, either.

But just what is the middle class? Who is in it? For one, I know I am... but who else?

THE HOUSE WAYS AND Means committee provides some sort of hint. Members are working on a tax proposal. Associated Press reported that Democrats on the committee "began lining up behind a soak-the-rich tax cut for the middle class."

Good enough. Let's cut taxes for us, and raise taxes for them. That's the American way. As the AP report described the evolving proposal, one central point is likely to be a tax credit of \$200 "for the vast majority of wage earners," or \$400 for a couple.

"The middle-class tax cut would be financed by imposing a 10 percent surtax on millionaires and creating a 35 percent tax bracket that would

affect single people making more than about \$100,000 and couples above \$200,000," the AP reported.

Using those figures, it appears you are middle class as long as you don't earn more than \$100,000 a year if single, or \$200,000 a year if both members of a couple are working.

At that point, one must presume, the class changes, and you become the rich, who would get soaked by tax changes. The highest tax bracket for those super-earners would rise from 31 percent to 35 percent. We are to assume that is "soaking the rich."

BUT THE MIDDLE CLASS — for whom so many office seekers express concern — is difficult to define precisely. Chicago Tribune Columnist Clarence Page, recently facing this same semantic dilemma, pointed to a range of \$17,000 to \$61,000 per family, before taxes, as the middle three-fifths of the nation's income distribution. Maybe this is where the middle class lives.

In my experience, almost everybody considers themselves to be middle class.

Very few folks consider themselves to be poor; even fewer consider themselves to be rich.

The middle class, in most cases, is the American dream. People don't want to be poor, certainly. And deep down, most people don't want to be wealthy either. They want to be comfortable. They want enough money to be secure. They want to provide for their loved ones.

But to be exceedingly rich, like a J.



Paul Getty or an Aristotle Onassis or even like a Donald Trump appeared to be at one time? That's not the overriding goal of most folks in my observation.

IN POLITICS, EVERYONE wants to help the middle class... President Bush, Gov. Engler, all the presidential candidates, everyone who runs for office.

Some few want to help the poor as well, but nobody wants to help the wealthy.

Politically, it's safer that way. Who can argue about helping the middle class?

To be for the middle class is as safe a political position as being for apple pie and motherhood.

As a matter of fact, in light of the intensity of debate over abortion questions, being for the middle class is a lot safer political stance than being for motherhood.

NUTS AND JOLTS — Some column closers from Hod Shewell, who also is part of the middle class.

—The only foreign entanglement that makes any sense is Italian spaghetti.

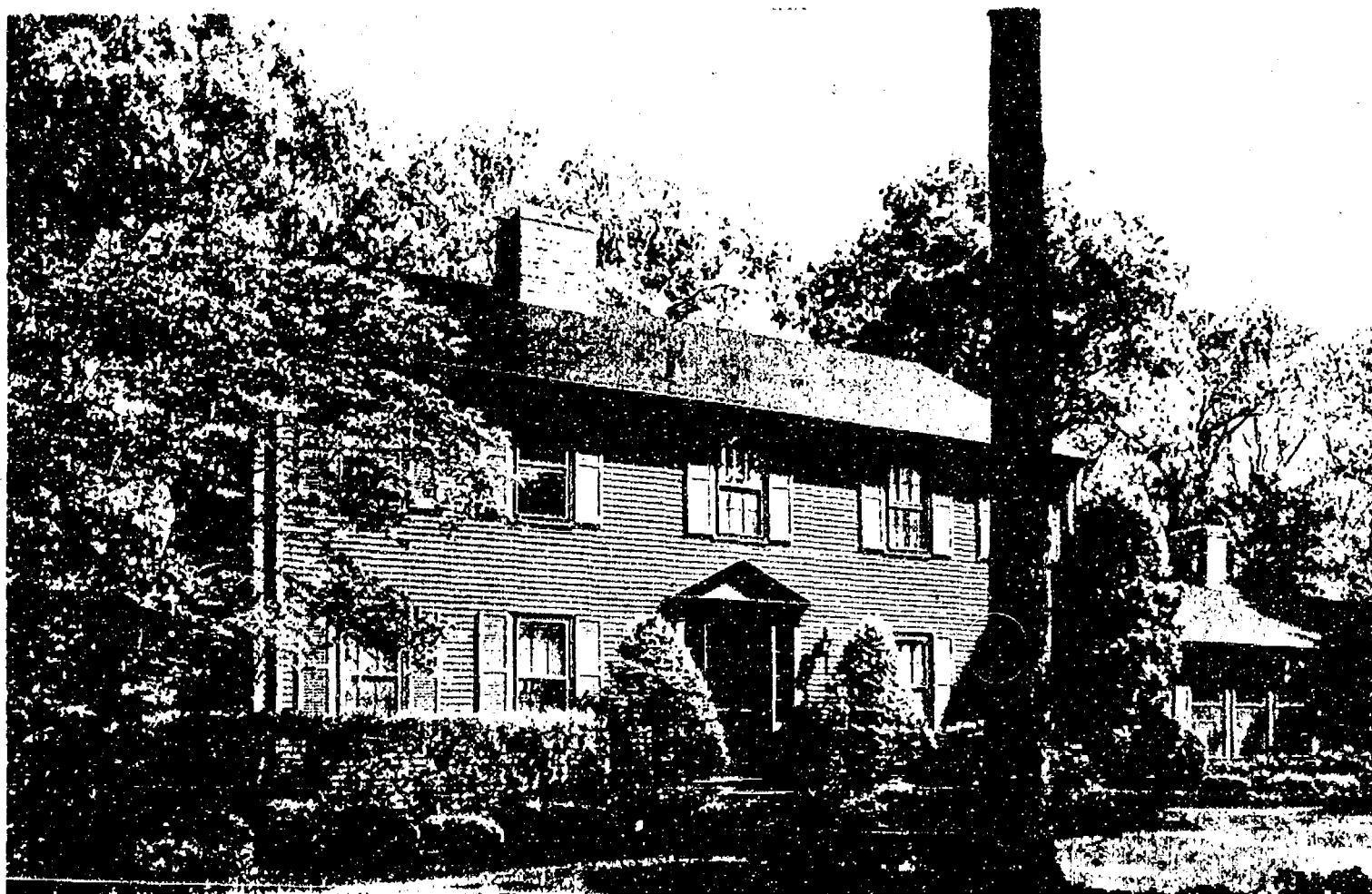
—Before you're too critical of your kids' report cards, make sure they can't find one of yours.

—Getting a pat on the back too often loosens the head.

—Modern office equipment takes care of everything but the griping.

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Conference on building family strengths set for Saturday, March 7, at GHS

The Crawford County Resource Committee on Youth is presenting the first annual Building Family Strengths Conference on Saturday, March 7, from 8:30 to 4 p.m. at Grayling High School. The highlights of the conference will be Michigan State University professor Dr. Joanne Keith speaking on "Creating Self Esteem: Whose Job is it Anyway?" and the professional musical group "In Cahoots" performing "Over the Edge with Christopher Columbus!"

A series of three hour long sessions will be offered for adults and for children with three or four choices offered each hour. Adult sessions will include: Enhancing Your Child's Self Esteem, Should My Child Start Kindergarten?, Understanding Early Adolescence, Grandparents Rights, Let Kids be Kids—Am I Pushing Too Hard?, How to be an Askable Parent, Caring for the Elderly Parent, Budgeting Made Easy, Ask the Doctor, The Stranger in Your Living Room/MTV, and Blended Families of the 90s.

Children's sessions will include: Too Smart For Strangers (four years to 2nd grade), Babysitting — It's a Job (12 years and up), Microwave Snacking (4th grade and up), Dating and Relationships, Arts & Crafts, Storytelling & Games (K-2nd grade), Babysitting — First Aid (12 years and up), Families—Can't Live With Them—Can't Live Without Them (5th grade and up), Babysitting — Ages and Stages (12 years and up), Music and the Young Child — Creative Movement (four years and up), and Movies (3rd-6th grade).

The cost of registration is \$2 per person or \$5 per family of four for those who preregister. People may

preregister at any school office or the central office building, any preschool or day care program, DSS office, Public Health office, 4-H office, Probate Court, or Riverhouse Shelter. For those who register the day of the conference at the high school, the cost is \$3 per person or \$7 per family of four. Checks should be made payable to the Crawford AuSable School District.

CREATING SELF-ESTEEM
Dr. Joanne Keith, Michigan State University professor in the Department

of Family and Child Ecology will speak in the library from 1:15 to 2:15. Her areas of teaching and research include changing family demographics and trends, adolescents and their families. She has taught junior and senior high students, junior college, university undergraduate and graduate students, as well as professional and lay audiences. Her teaching style is highly interactive involving the audience in thinking and problem solving.

IN CAHOOTS

In Cahoots is a troupe of singers,

dancers and actors who perform in a unique musical theatre production for children. They will perform in the high school auditorium from 2:30 to 3:30. Their musical production is based on the spirit of exploration Christopher Columbus possessed when he set sail to discover the new world 500 years ago, and celebration of the "explorer" within us all. Through live music, dance, comedy, and audience participation, the cast of four actors will inspire the young child to take a fresh and fun look at history.



Friends and family of Helen Essenberg and Fred Allen are invited to join them at an open house celebration in honor of their marriage on Saturday, February 29, 1992. An Open House will be from 4 - 8 pm, at the Ellsworth Community Center, Ellsworth, MI.



Bits of Talk

Cheryl and Dean Sova and children, Josh and Sarah of Wyoming, were up for the weekend visiting her sister and family, Dana, Steve, Jamie, and Steve Anderson and her brother, Joel Arwood and children, Mike Jason, Jessie, and Kristen.

They all spent Saturday at Hanson Hills skiing, sledding, and skating.

Zonta Club offers scholarships

The Roscommon County Area Zonta Club, which is an International Professional Women's organization, is once again offering scholarships to young women in our local high schools. One female high school student attending Grayling High School,

Houghton Lake High School, and Roscommon High School will be awarded \$500 each. They may obtain applications from their counselors office.

Applicants must complete the application, including two letters of

recommendations, and return to: Zonta Club of Roscommon County Area, Scholarship Committee, PO Box 735, Roscommon, MI, 48653. The deadline for applying is March 31, 1992. Scholarship recipients will be announced by May 1st.

Births

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Sinan and Anne Toprak of Grayling: Gregory Derrin, February 6, 1992, 7 lbs., 7.7 ozs.

Carl and Karen Hunt of Houghton Lake: Kyle Judson Hunt, February 7, 1992, 8 lbs., 7 ozs.

David Jung and Julie Jensen of Grayling: Makenna Christian, February 10, 1992, 7 lbs., 1 oz.

Greg and Christy Szymkowiak of Gaylord: Blake Anthony, February 15, 1992, 7 lbs., 5 ozs.

William and Carla Noyce of Boyne City: Kassandra K. Noyce, February 13, 1992, 7 lbs., 12 ozs.

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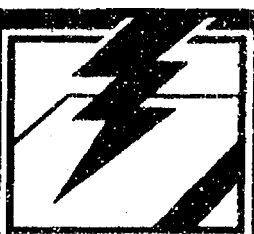
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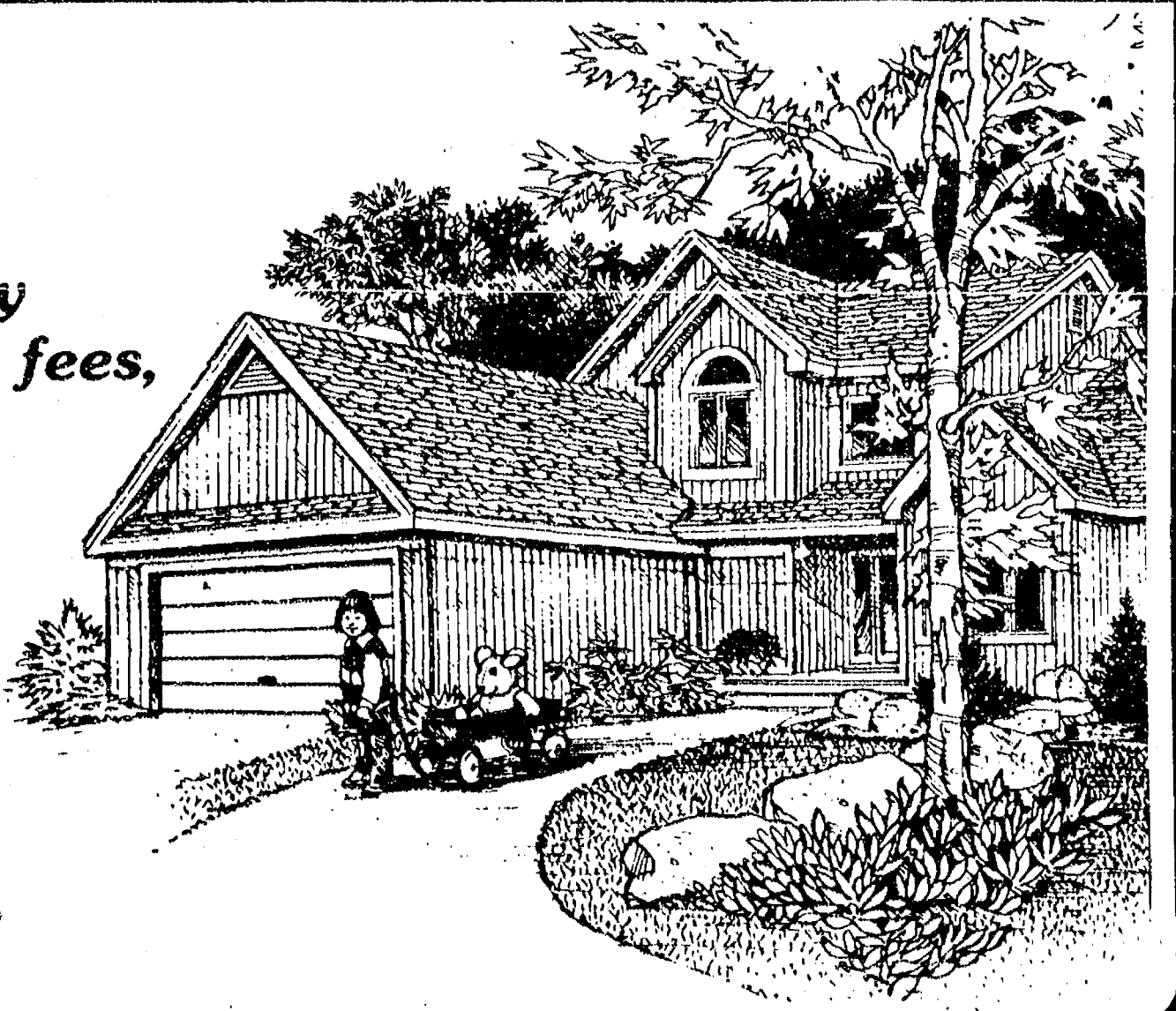
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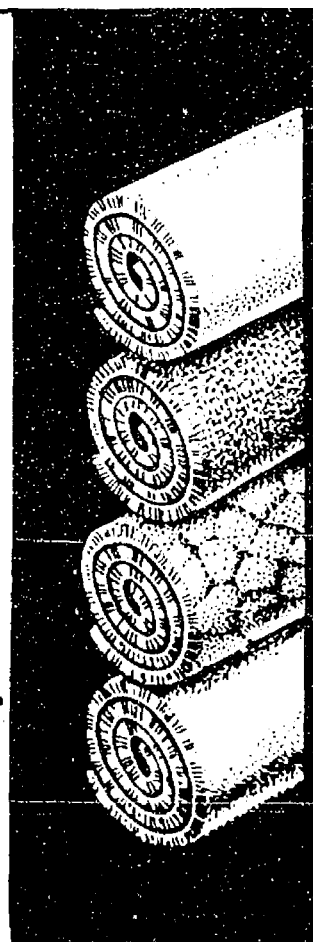
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WOMAN OF THE YEAR—Margaret Chappell, right, was named the American Business Women Association's Woman of the Year for the Grayling chapter. Local ABWA Lockett Hollingsworth, left, presented the award. (Photos by Linda Wright)



JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS—Troop 2000 recently received their vests and badges with help from their sponsor Georgia-Pacific. Shown are (left to right, second row) Karen Wyman, Sarah McGuire, Cathy Wyman, Amanda Mogg, Heidi England, (first row) Emily Wakeley, Amy Stevenson, Melody Kellogg, Heather Hatfield, and Angela Everson. Not pictured are Katelyn Roshy and Angie Whitney.



BOSS OF THE YEAR—Elizabeth Wieland, Crawford County Clerk, (middle), was named Boss of the Year by the ABWA Grayling chapter. Sandy Moore, left, and Betty Bennett, right, courthouse employees, nominated Wieland for the award.

GHS grad tours with Alma College Kiltie Band

Senior Amy Hough of Grayling is among the 57 members of the Alma College Kiltie Band touring during winter term break in February. The tour opens with a performance at Portage Northern High School in Portage on February 21 and ends on February 26 with a performance at Royce Auditorium, St. Cecilia Music Society in Grand Rapids.

Other concerts scheduled on the tour are Naperville, Ill., and Mishawaka, Ind. As a tour highlight, the band will also be attending a performance by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, February 22.

In addition to the tour, the band is also giving off-campus concerts in Saginaw on February 14 and in Grayling at the Grayling High School at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24.

Selected pieces to be performed are "Symphony No 5 Finale" by Shostakovich, "Brigadoon" by J. Fucik, "Carousel" by D. Friedman and D. Samuels, "Onward Scotsmen" and Alma's own "Alma Mater."

The Alma College Kiltie Band, conducted by Douglas Scripps, has been a part of Alma for over 50 years. Many of the 57 band members receive both music and merit scholarships. Alma's music department is a fully accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Music and offers three degree options in music.

Hough, a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School, is the daughter of Dr. James and Mrs. Florence Hough, 4978 Dawn Dr., Grayling. She is an English major and plays clarinet in the Kiltie Band.

Local Weight Watchers present cooking demonstration

Weight watchers of Grayling is pleased to offer a free cooking demonstration on Wednesday, March 4, 5:30 p.m., held at the St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72.

March is National Nutrition Month. In conjunction with this, Weight Watchers Food Advisor, Sue Stallard, will present delicious recipes prepared nutritiously and attractively.

Sue has been a member of Weight Watchers since 1972 and successfully shed 22 pounds. She joined the Weight Watchers staff over 18 years ago.

Visitors welcome to attend this special event at no charge. Free recipes will be available. For more information call: 616-947-0010, or toll free: 1-800-487-4777.

Military Notes

Michelle E. Ward, the daughter of Margaret and Theodore Ruhland of Grayling, recently enlisted in the United States Army for a four-year tour of duty as a Hospital Food Service Specialist. She is scheduled to report for active duty on March 25, 1992, and is slated to receive her training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Sgt. Matthew A. Lewis has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal which is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

He is an electronic warfare specialist at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Lewis is the son of Gabriel N. Lewis Jr. of Rural Route 3, Grayling, and Patricia J. Jakubcin of 5223 Cambourne Place, Farmington Hills.

The sergeant is a 1985 graduate of Lapeer East Senior High School.

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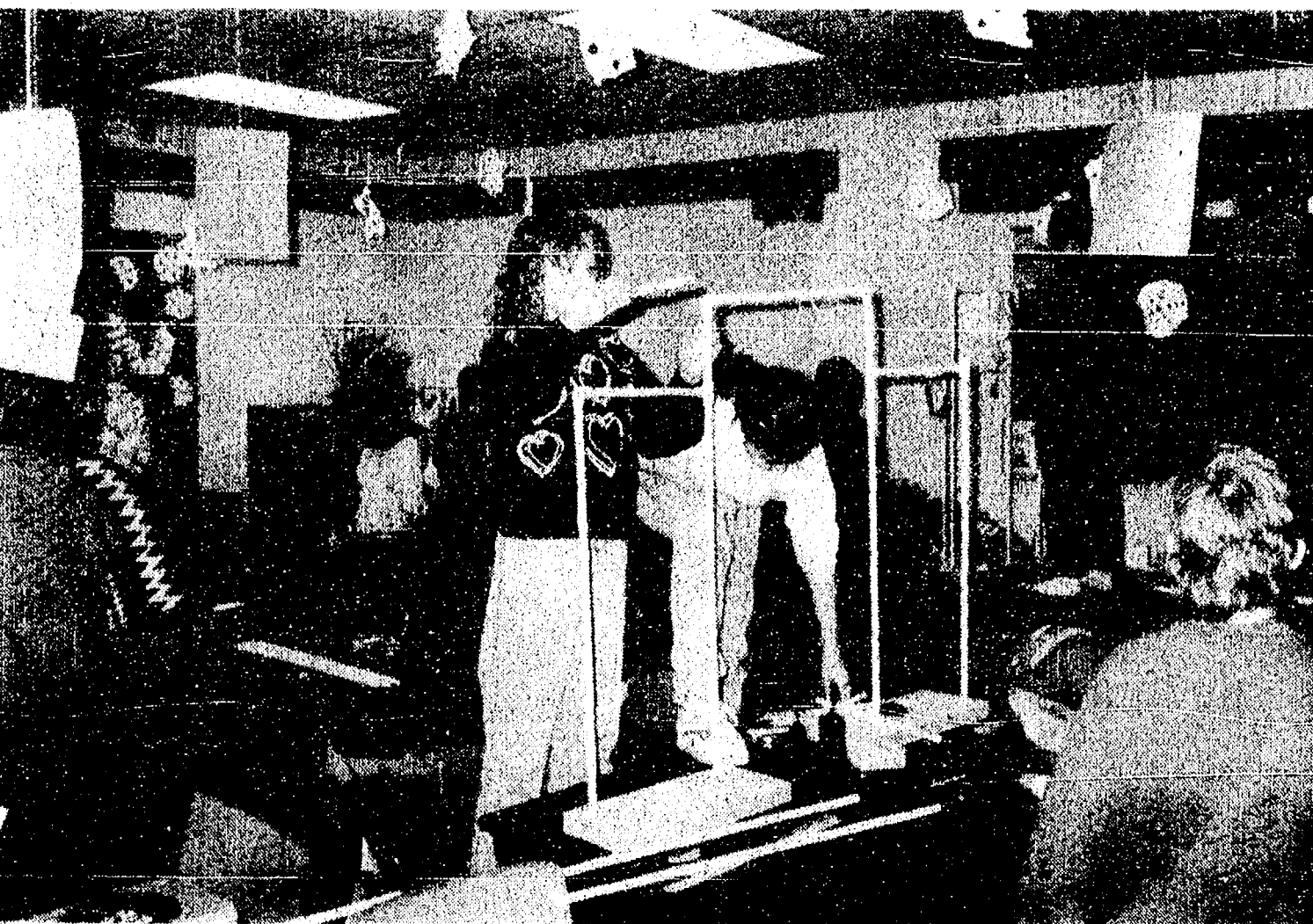
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HANDS-ON LEARNING—In Mrs. Wiltse's fourth grade class at Frederic Elementary the children are learning about simple machines. The top picture shows Brian McCurdy, Terah Armstrong, Kim Koslowski, and Matt Evon building a pulley system. In the bottom photo, Amanda Roy and Mika Sumner are also building a pully system.



Grayling Elementary School

Brad Varda

3rd grade
Miss Wetzel, The Learning Center
The Trip Back Through Time

One day Jory was looking outside when he heard a noise in the forest. It was a baby dinosaur. It got scared and ran away. Jory never saw the dinosaur again... so far.

Aaron Weaver

4th grade
Miss Wetzel, The Learning Center
Dinosaurs

Millions of years ago the Earth was different. It had dinosaurs. One of the dinosaurs was Tyrannosaurus Rex. He was a meat eater. The other dinosaurs were scared of him and ran away.

Science Fair hosted by Grayling Middle School

The annual Crawford AuSable School District Science Fair is on the move as more than 306 students have submitted proposals for projects. On Saturday, March 14, the public will have a chance to see the projects on display at the Grayling Middle School Gym and Cafeteria between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. This year's Science Fair Committee is: Larry Austin, Grayling Middle School instructor; Michael Dean, Grayling High School instructor; Julie Dunkley, Frederic Elementary School instructor; Helen Nicholas, Grayling Elementary School instructor; Karen Langseth, parent; and R. J. Hannan, Director of Community Education.

They have been meeting to finish plans for this year's fair. An entry packet was distributed to students of the district in late December. A number

of changes related to judging and awards has been instituted and may be found in the entry packet.

On Friday, March 13, students will be transporting projects for set up to the Middle School Gym and Cafeteria. Judging will be conducted that evening from 6 to 9 p.m.

This year, Art Projects and Woodshop Projects will also be displayed on a non-competitive basis. In addition to ribbons and certificates for top finishers, a variety of prizes will be awarded.

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Grayling Elementary School

March is "Music In Our Schools Month." In celebration, the first-fourth grade students at Grayling and Frederic Elementary would like to invite their parents and special guests to join them during music. See the schedule for your child's music time:

First grade: Monday, March 2, 11-11:40 a.m., Miss Savoie; Tuesday, March 3, 2:05-2:45 p.m., Mrs. Vergeldt; Wednesday, March 4, 9:35-10:15 a.m., Miss Williams; 10:20-11 a.m., Miss Loft; Friday, March 6, 11-11:40 a.m., Mrs. Larson; 12:30-1:10 p.m., Mrs. Smock; 1:15-1:55, Mrs. Yost.

Second grade: Wednesday, March 11, 8:50-9:30 a.m., Miss VanSlyke; 1:25-2:05 p.m., Mrs. Dean; Thursday, March 12, 11-11:40 a.m., Mrs. Winkler; 12:25-1:05, Mrs. Nicholas; Friday, March 13, 10:20-11 a.m., Mrs. Lauria; 2-2:40 p.m., Mrs. Johnson.

Third grade: Monday, March 16, 9:35-10:15 a.m., Mr. Branch; 2-2:40 p.m., Mr. Andrus; Tuesday, March 17, 1:25-2:05, Mrs. Pullen-Johnson; Wednesday, March 18, 12:10-12:50 p.m., Mrs. Hough; Thursday, March 19, 8:50-9:30 a.m., Mrs. Williams; 9:35-10:15 a.m., Mr. Brigham; Friday, March 20, 8:50-9:30 a.m., Miss Johnson.

Fourth grade: Monday, March 23, 10:20-11 a.m., Mr. Hayes; Tuesday, March 24, 9-9:40 a.m., Mrs. Wiltse; 9:45-10:25 a.m., Mrs. Dunkley; 12:10-12:50, Mr. Olson; Thursday, March 26, 10:20-11 a.m., Mr. Hatfield; Friday, March 27, 9:35-10:15 a.m., Mrs. Akers.

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GHS plans Spirit Week March 2-6

The Grayling High School will be bringing in March like a Roaring Viking. Spirit Week will take place at the high school from March 2-6.

During the Spirit Week there will be assemblies to show off the talents of the students and competition between the classes to ensure that spirit is alive

and well.

Students would like to include parents in the spirit week activities. The first parent booster club meeting will be held in room 27 on March 3 at the high school at 3:45 p.m.

All interested parents are invited to attend the meeting and give input and

your wishes for the program for the rest of this year and the following years.

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Verse or Worse

By Joe Murphy

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And we will go marching into spring

Put aside that heavy coat and hat
And put those mitts and boots away
And we will go marching down the street
Into a beautiful spring time day

We will put some flowers in our hair
And listen to those songbirds sing
And forget the snow and cold of winter
As we go marching into spring

There will be a robin hopping on the lawn
And the spring air soft and warm
And that sun will drive away the chill
Of the winters cold and storm

The soft breeze will kiss our faces
As we march down the street
And all will wear a smile
As we celebrate winter's defeat

There will be children on the playgrounds
Who will join us as we march by
We will even be very happy
To hear the blackbirds raucous cry

We are ready now to step right out
So let every heart with joy sing
As we march away from winter
Into the joy of spring

Features

Animals You Can Help



FRIENDLY DOG--There are lots of well-behaved dogs and cats at the new animal shelter looking for new homes. Call the Shelter at 348-4117 or visit Monday through Saturday, 9-4.

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Pet Care Tip

Are you watchful of special problems of the older pet? The Animal Protection Institute of America recommends that you know the state of its hearing and vision, close it off from steep stairways and see the veterinarian about its dietary needs.

Weekend Crossword

THIS WEEK'S
PUZZLE ANSWER

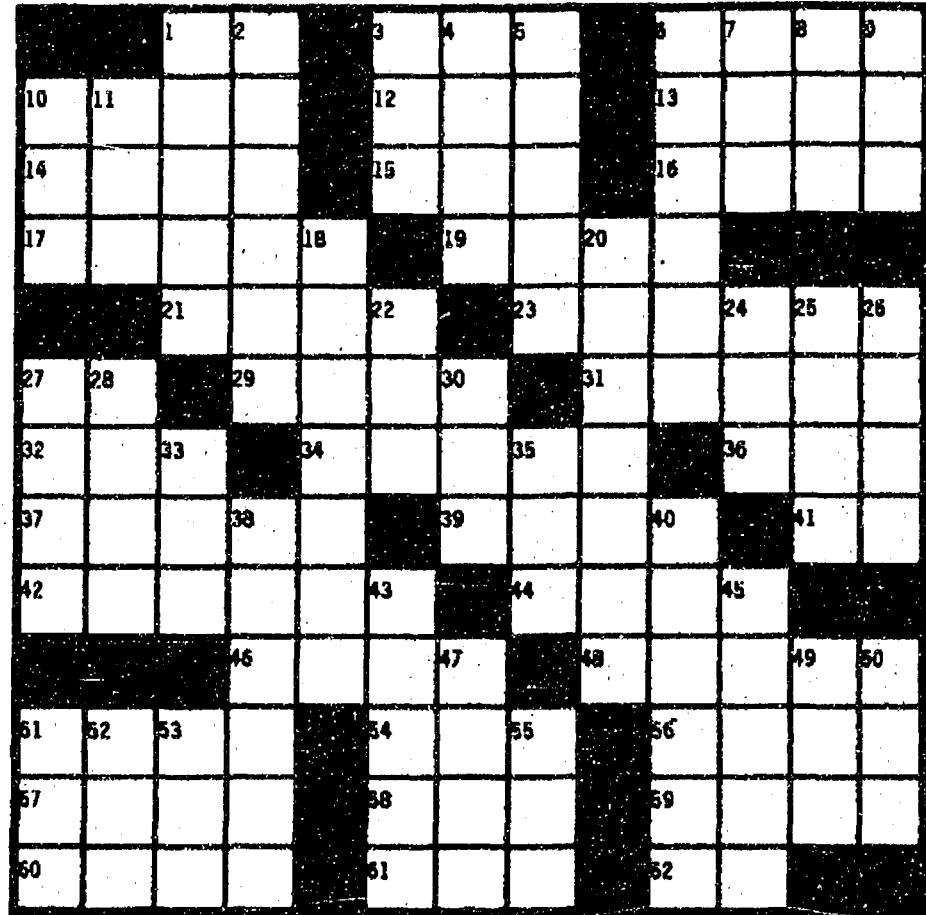


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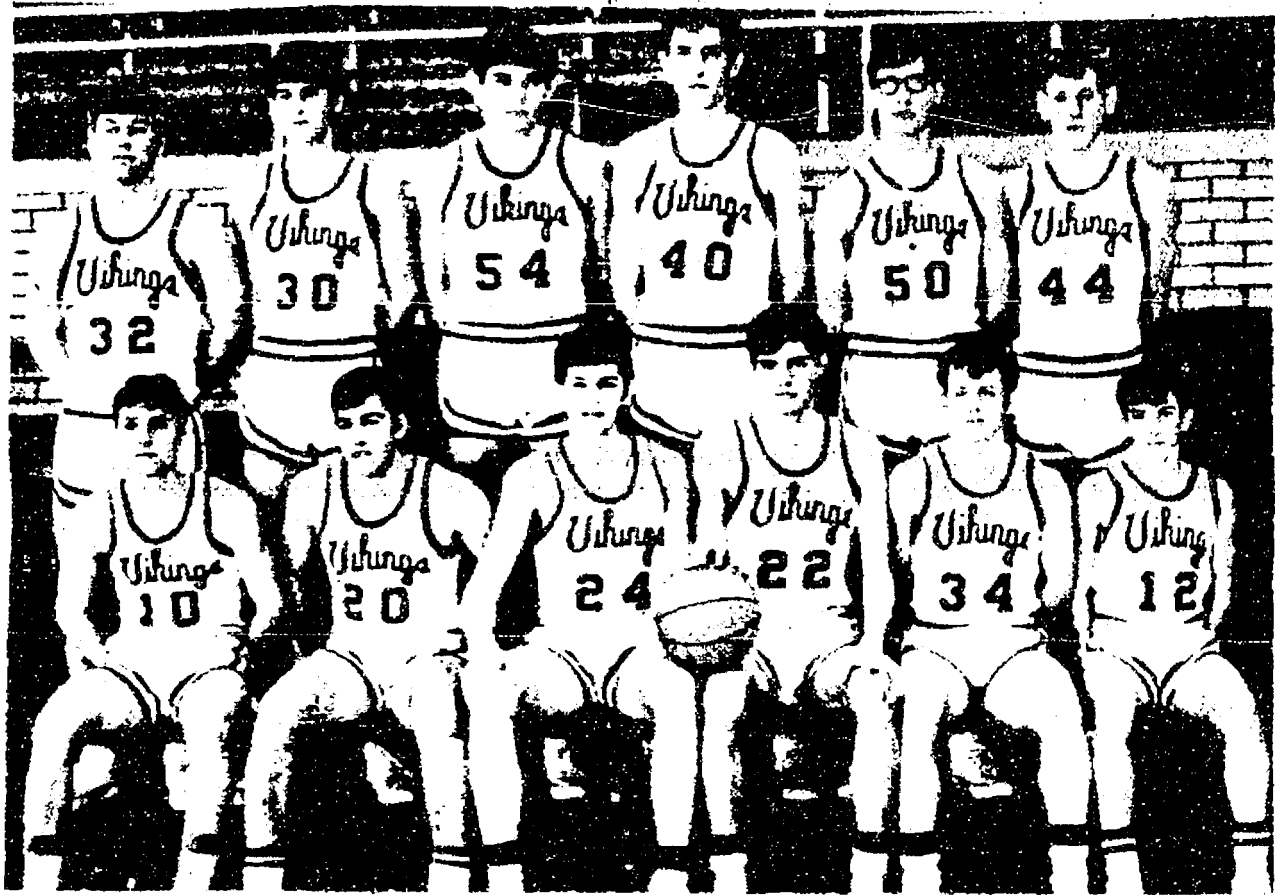
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- 28 Leave out
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- 43 Monsters
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- 50 Cloth measure
- 51 Remote
- 52 Meadow
- 53 Guided
- 55 Snoop



A Look At Our Past from the pages of the Avalanche



1968-69 GRAYLING VIKINGS--Front row, left to right, Tim Mead 10, Mike Smock 20, Gerry St. Germain 24, Butch Hayes 22, Max Tobin 34, Jim Tobin 12. Back row, left to right, Dale Papendick 32, Bruce Burkett 30, Vern Hartman 54, Wes Hayes 40, Mike Kucharek 50, Allen Lowe 44.

23 years ago
February 27, 1969

District Basketball Tournament No. 100 will get underway next Wednesday, March 5, at the Grayling High School gym in the first step for four area teams in the struggle for survival in the MHSAA tournaments.

Teams assigned to the Grayling District are: the Houghton Lake Bobcats and the Roscommon Bucks of the Northeastern Michigan League; the Gaylord Blue Devils of the Michigan-Huron Shores Conference and the Grayling Vikings of the Northern Lower Michigan League.

All games are scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. with doors opening at 6 p.m. Admission to all games is 50¢ for students and \$1 for adults.

Elmer Fenton, principal at the high school is tournament manager and Lacey Stephan, ticket manager.

Finals of the fifth annual Declamation Contest were held at a general assembly in the Grayling High School gym on Thursday, February 20, at 9 a.m. First place honors went to Becky Kangas, who delivered "The Sons of the Horsemen." Karen Gorney with "Doesn't Anybody Care?" was runner-up. Third place went to Betty Brozo with "The Silent Samaritan."

Others in the finals were Claudia Henig, Marcie Kaiser, Marie McIsaac, Jackie Small, Sherrill Thayer, and Margaret Tinker. All contestants are members of the Sophomore class.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anthony and family spent the weekend in Grand Rapids visiting their daughter Karen. While there they stayed at the home of Ilene Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McClain and Shelley, Jeff, Scott and Tammy left Friday for Bradenton, Fla., to spend a

few weeks visiting her parents, the Forrest Vincents, and her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Don Richardson, also her brother the Duane Vincents at Parrish, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Mauren and son, Paul returned Friday from a two-week vacation in Florida. While there they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Roy DeWitt of Roscommon, who were at Lakeworth, and also were guests for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cogan at Ft. Lauderdale.

Terri Melroy, daughter of Clair Melroy, celebrated her 10th birthday Saturday by having seven of her girl friends in for the afternoon. Games were played and Terri received some nice gifts. A lunch of cake, ice cream and punch was served following the games. The girls had a real nice time. Terri's aunt, Mrs. Myrtle McPhail assisted Terri as hostess.

Holly Knibbs visited with her sister, Linda at East Lansing over the weekend for "Little Sister Weekend." She stayed at the dorm with Linda while there. Both girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Knibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Millikin and Marcie and Miss Susan Bourrie spent two weeks with the David Beans in Albuquerque, N. Mexico, returning home February 15. They made side trips to Juarez, attended a rodeo in El Paso, and the girls rode the tramway and climbed White Sands and visited the missile range and the Will Rogers memorial.

46 years ago
February 28, 1946

Over 15 minutes of the Grayling Winter Carnival including the coronation ceremonies in which Major

Edward J. Jeffries Jr. of Detroit, crowned Margie Caid queen of the winter frolic was broadcast on Friday and Saturday over 20 Michigan radio stations. The broadcast was heard over the Sportsman's Guide program and was made possible by the wire recording made here on the final day of the Carnival by Mort Neff of Detroit.

Dr. R. L. Barrus of Lansing has blueprints for and plans to begin as soon as possible, a \$25,000 cabin court on the land formerly occupied by the Grayling Greenhouse. The land adjoins the Borchers Canoe Livery plot on the banks of the AuSable River in the city of Grayling.

Howard Madsen, recently discharged from the armed forces, spent a few days in Gaylord last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Madsen. He was joined by his wife and they both returned Saturday.

Peter Babbitt of the United States Coast Guard on Lake Superior went to Detroit, February 8, to spend some time at an "Aid to Navigation School."

Edwin LaButt was expected Monday following his discharge from the armed forces, to visit his wife, who is a guest at the home of Mrs. William Strope.

Jack Mason of New York City was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Borchers for a few days.

Word has been received by Mrs. Homer King that her husband, Cpl. King has been promoted to sergeant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Westerholm (Yvonne Bradley) left Thursday to make their home in Erie, Pa.

Mrs. William Kinkorfer of Lansing spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Schiabe, at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson and

son, Bill, left Monday to make an extended visit in Lansing.

Jay Stephan of Michigan State College spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stephan.

Jeanne Hanson of Saginaw accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kellogg of Lovells up for the week to a sleigh ride party at Frederic.

Miss Mildred Smith arrived home from the University of Michigan Sunday morning to remain with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jappe Smith, until Wednesday.

Mrs. Howard Bunker entertained some 16 guests at an evening party last Saturday. The men played cards, while the ladies played "White Elephant." Door prizes went to John Papendick and Mrs. Oscar Goss.

The George Bielskies were pleasantly surprised last Saturday evening when about 14 friends, relatives, and neighbors dropped in to help them celebrate their silver wedding anniversary.

The Sabbadinos have sold their cabin camp south of Grayling to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lucksted of Centerline. The Lucksteds expect to take possession early in March while the Sabbadinos will return to their business in Flint, Art Clough, real estate agent, announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Balch have purchased the George Dague home on Smith Street while their home on Chestnut Street has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson. The Paddy Cowell home on Maple Street had been purchased by Bertha Dannenberg.

LeRoy Papendick, Gerald Worden and Herbert Wheeler have enlisted in the regular Navy. Gerald is stationed at Great Lakes Naval Training School, while LeRoy and Herbert went to Norfolk Naval Base in Virginia.

Mrs. Harold Rasmussen was hostess to her bridge club Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Kirt Kitchen and Mrs. Leo Jorgenson holding high scores. Mrs. Einer Rasmussen was a guest of the club. The week previous Mrs. John Mallinger entertained the club at a lovely luncheon carried out in St. Valentine's day motif. Valentines were score cards. Mrs. Kirt Kitchen held high score and Mrs. Foryst Barber, who was a guest, received the consolation prize.

Miss Mary Jane Joseph left Saturday for Washington, D.C., after spending several weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph and daughter, Mary Jane attended the wedding of their son, Bill, to Miss Marion Huntington on Feb. 14 in Lansing. They were accompanied by Capt. Leonard Knibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Madsen and daughter, Patsy, were among the guests that honored Thomas Wakeley on his birthday Sunday.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Your Horoscope

Forecast Period: March 1-March 7, 1992

ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Pay close attention to tax investments. New management may be required.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

Policies change with the times. BE willing to compromise if you expect your plans to be followed.

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

Life is a constant source of amazement but remember the Serenity Prayer and accept those things you cannot change.

CANCER

June 21-July 22

Philanthropic organization could use your creative talents. Be generous with your time and efforts.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

Be prepared to accept unfavorable missive. It may cause some heartache and pain but you will get over it.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

You should not have to look too hard for romance. It is right beside you — just turn in the right directions.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

A legitimate source of information is at your disposal. What you do with it can make all the difference in a relationship.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

An unusual request could change the course of your career. Be cautious before making any hasty decisions.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Travel could be on your agenda. Good time to get away. Combine pleasure trip with business if possible.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Keep a low profile this week. Your happiness is important, too.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

An insurmountable problem hampers your plans to ride the tide to fame. Take inventory and dispose of excess baggage.

PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

The rules of the game are about to change. Show more affection toward mate or you may be left out in the cold.

Oscar Goss were Edwin and Robert Behrmann of Bay City, and Gene Goss and E. Clark of Fenton.

Otho Durfee returned to Alger Sunday night after being employed on the section at Riverview.

69 years ago
March 1, 1923

Our little neighboring village of Frederic is boasting of having their street illuminated with electric street lights. We compliment them on their progressiveness.

Miss Jane Matson expects to leave for Flint Friday after spending three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matson.

During the enforced school vacation last week and part of this week several of the teachers took the opportunity to visit their homes or friends. Misses Ashdon and Bates visited their homes in Mancelona. Miss Richardson, her home in Roscommon; Miss Estabrook in Ionia; Miss Hainline in Alma; Miss Secord went to her home in East Jordan and was accompanied by Misses Hendrick and Fitzgerald, who were her guests; Miss Fuller visited her home in Mears; Mr. Brown spent the time at his home in Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gates and son Bobbie Wingard, who left Clare the first of October on a pleasure trip south, are now enjoying the comforts and sunshine of Palm Beach, Fla.

The weekly attendance at the Board of Trade held at Shoppenagon's Inn is rapidly increasing. This noon there were about 46 present. Addresses were made by T. W. Hanson and M. A. Bates of this city, and Mr. Ball of the United Drug Company of Detroit. Cost of the luncheon is 50¢ per person.

Fire last Friday night completely destroyed the house on the south side owned by Truman Ingram and occupied by Kenneth Johnson and family. It is thought that it started from a spark from the chimney. It happened at about 2 o'clock in the morning and the occupants had to flee in their night attire. The building was covered by insurance but not the furniture. A victrola and a couple chairs were all that was saved from the blaze.

Obituaries

Willis Chance

Willis G. Chance, 72, of Grayling, died Wednesday, February 19, 1992, at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord. Funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, February 22, 1992, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Traverse City. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr. Chance was born July 16, 1919, in Traverse City, to Roy and Edyth (Mann) Chance. On November 12, 1942, at St. Francis Church, Traverse City, he married Winifred M. Gilbert. Formerly of Traverse City and Lansing, Mr. Chance had been a resident of Grayling the past five years. He had been a meat manager in food service at General Motors in Lansing for over 20 years. He had served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1939 to 1945, serving aboard the most decorated vessel in the Coast Guard, the U.S.C.G. cutter "Spencer".

He is a former member of St. Francis Catholic Church, Traverse City, a member of the Knights of Columbus in Grayling, a member of the American Legion Post No. 106 in Grayling, a member of the U.S.C.G. Spencer Association, and he was president of the Warblers Hideaway in Grayling.

Survivors include: wife, Winifred Chance of Grayling; sons, Michael and wife Shirley Chance of Pickney, Joseph and wife Jan Chance of Grand Ledge, and William and wife Vonda Chance of Lansing; daughters, Constance and husband Thomas Kukowski of Grand Rapids, Candace Ott of Grand Rapids, and Kathleen and husband Daryl Schopp of Holt; brother, Roy Chance of Ann Arbor; sisters, Lucille McPherson of Jackson, Rosalie Happy of Traverse City, Dorothy Knox of Escanaba; and Joyce Burrows of Traverse City; 17 grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Virginia Devendorf; and two granddaughters, Tina and Sylvia Cortez.

Memorials may be directed to either the American Cancer Society or any organization that benefits handicapped children.

Michelson Memorial Church, all of Grayling.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Viri K. Sunday in 1971 and by one son, Jack D. S. Davis.

Survivors include: son Robert Sunday of Brighton; eight grandchildren; four great grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Myrna Hissong of Higgins Lake; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggest memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Kellis Charron

Kellis J. Charron, 69, of Frederic, died Tuesday, February 18, 1992 at 6588 Manistee Street in Frederic. Funeral services were held Friday, February 21, 1992, at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, in Grayling, with Reverend Michael Conner officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic.

Mr. Charron retired in 1970 from his position as an administrative clerk for the State of Michigan at the Ypsi-

lanti State Hospital. He was a graduate of Frederic High School, and enjoyed traveling whenever he found the opportunity. He had traveled to Europe, Australia, Alaska, and Hawaii, among other places. He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Nettie (Cameron) Charron, and one brother, Liland Charron.

Survivors include: sisters, Connie and Arthur Keeley and Helen and Howard Powers, both of Clarkston; and brother, Sanford and Loretta Charron of Saginaw.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Randall D. and Kathleen M. Black of Grayling, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tanya Lyn Black to Tyler Lee Sharpe of Higgins Lake. Tyler is the son of Franklin Sharpe of Higgins Lake and Bonnie Sharpe of Glendale Arizona. An August 16, 1992, wedding is tentatively planned.



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Oppermann earns Ferris honors

Peter Oppermann of Grayling, was named to the Dean's List at Ferris State University. To be eligible a student must earn a 3.5 or better grade point average. Oppermann is a 1991 Grayling High School graduate, majoring in Pre-Optometry.

Lovells News

Mr. and Mrs. Robert DeVos returned home last week after enjoying a vacation in Florida.

Paula Harwood spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Margie Harwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kooyek and daughters from Holland spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Campau.

Mr. Bill Chance passed away on Wednesday. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family.

Wilma Sunday

Wilma C. Sunday, 84, of Brighton, died Saturday, February 22, 1992 at her sons home in Brighton. A Memorial service will be held Saturday, February 29, 1992, at 1 p.m., at Michelson Memorial Church in Grayling, with Dr. Dennis Paulson officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Sunday was born June 4, 1907, in Grand Rapids to Willifred and Clara L. (Barrett) Shaw. She was a housewife and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Eagles Auxiliary, the Women of the Moose Lodge, and

A Personal Testimony

SALVADOR M. FLORES, JR.

When I was 15 years old my family received a telegram saying that my brother had been killed in a car accident. I couldn't understand why God would let him die.

Wanting to blame God I began living a life of violence and rebellion and trusting myself. At the age of 16 I was involved in my first armed robbery and eventually was forced to leave town. I moved to Chicago with the hope of starting a new life but instead became desperately lonely and empty inside. Eventually I joined a street gang called the Latin Kings which led to a wild and violent lifestyle. This way of life took its toll and left me addicted to Heroin. In the beginning the drug gave me a false feeling of contentment but it was short lived and left in its wake confusion and fear without a trace of peace.

Still searching for happiness, I left the gang and returned to my family. I saw a psychiatrist and was hospitalized several times attempting to, "kick the habit". No one could help, even the Methadone program failed.

What money and pleasures of this world couldn't do for me Jesus Christ did. The Bible says, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Mark 8:36.

I heard about a program called Teen Challenge and that they might be able to help me quit using Heroin. I found them and told them about my life. They said I needed Jesus Christ and that He was the only One who could help me. Since they were ex-addicts themselves, I figured they must know what they were talking about. These strangers prayed for me as I went cold turkey to break the hold of Heroin over my life. I had never felt such a genuine love before and they encouraged me to ask Jesus Christ into my life.

The Bible says, "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature: old things are passed away, behold all things become new" 2 Cor. 5:17. Jesus has made me that new creature. He has taken all the bitterness out of me, removed the Heroin and replaced it with love, the kind that I never knew existed. **HE FOUND ME NOT GUILTY.** He forgave me of all my sins. Romans 8:2, in the Bible says, "For the law of the spirit of life in Christ has set me free from the law of sin and death." I have a beautiful wife and three lovely children and pastor Mid Michigan Teen Challenge.

Don't wait to accept Jesus Christ, because the Bible says, "Now is the day of salvation". Remember this: "Every one of us shall give account of himself to God" Romans 14:12. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement. Hebrews 9:27 God says: "Behold I stand at the door and knock: If any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come into him, and will sup with him and he with me" Rev. 3:20. Let Jesus come into your heart today and He will find you **NOT GUILTY** of your sins.

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FRI. 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BBB VS. WHITEMORE PRESCOTT, away, 6:15 pm.
SAT. 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL REGIONAL •MS DISTRICT BAND FESTIVAL
SUN. 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SPEND THE DAY WITH YOUR FAMILY on one of our areas' many fine downhill slopes or cross country ski trails! •JR. PRO MEETING @ Holiday Inn board room, 8:00 pm.
MON. 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •VB VS. GAYLORD, away, 6:00 pm. •SKIING STATE MEET •PTO MEETING @ MS cafeteria, 7:00 pm.
TUES. 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Copper Kettle Steak House & Lounge. •BBB VS. GAYLORD, away, 6:15 pm. •SOCIAL SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE @ County Building, 10:30 - 2 pm. For more information call 1-800-234-5772.
WED. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ASH WEDNESDAY •ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. •COA - Phyllis Brummer is on hand, 9-11:30 to help Seniors with Medicare & Medicaid problems, or call 348-7123.

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Kent, Mack, Schweizer earn trip to regionals



Sam Mack



Ken Kent



Tom Schweizer

Three members of the Grayling High School wrestling team placed at the Individual District 9 Tournament, held February 22 at Gaylord.

The tournament, which included 19 area teams, had two sudden death preliminary rounds, followed by the finals and consolation finals. Wrestlers taking one of the top four spots qualified for the regional tournament, to be held on Saturday, February 29, at Alma.

Sophomore Ken Kent (112 pounds) took 4th place.

He defeated Ryan Kimball of Petoskey, 11-9 (in overtime), in his first match of the day. Behind by four with only seconds to go, he tied it up.

In the first fifteen seconds of overtime, Kent got a takedown to beat Kimball. His second match resulted in a loss by default when he injured opponent Jim Rankin of Gladwin at 4:20 minutes.

In his final bout, Kent fell to Travis Wangler of Ogemaw Heights, 10-7. But nevertheless secured 4th place and a shot at regionals.

Junior Sam Mack (135 pounds) won 2nd place at the district tournament. Mack first defeated Coby Garcia of Alma, pinning him in 31 seconds.

He then defeated Jason Cassidy of Gladwin, 6-2.

Wrestling for one of the top two spots, Mack fell to Mike Orvosh of Midland Bullock Creek.

Junior Tom Schweizer (189 pounds) took 3rd place.

He won his first match in the final ten seconds on a takedown, defeating James Mattson of Ogemaw Heights, 6-4.

In the second round, he was defeated by Rusty Davis of Kalkaska, 11-5. Schweizer then beat Jim Lasley of

Petoskey, 5-0, to secure 3rd place.

Kent, Mack and Schweizer all wrestled exceptionally good, competitive matches that day, said Coach Don Ferguson.

They now have to emerge in one of the top four spots against wrestlers from two districts (a total of 38 schools) at the regional tournament if they are to qualify for individual state finals.

TEAM DISTRICTS

The GHS matmen, reigning champions, were defeated at the five-school Class B Team District 9 Tournament, held February 19 at Gladwin.

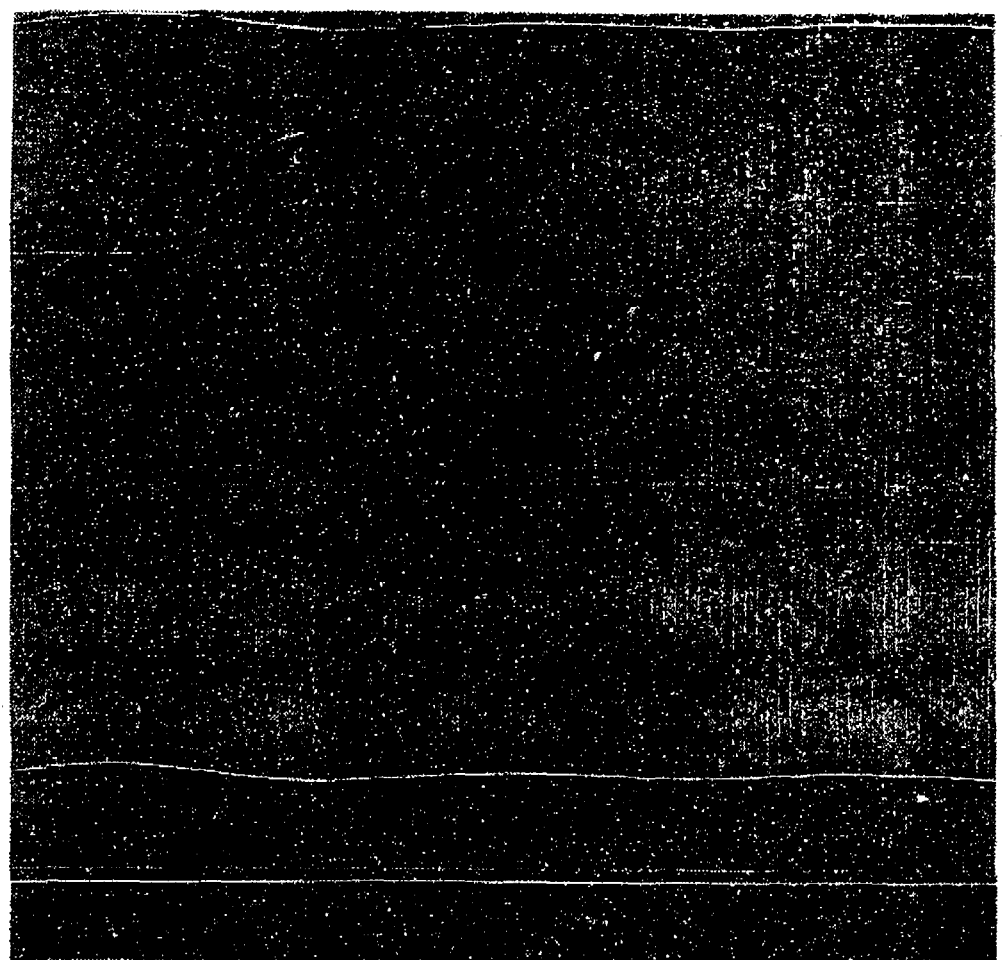
In round 1, despite victories by Kent, Mack and sophomore Brent Kernstock (171 pounds), Grayling fell to Ogemaw Heights, 51-17.

Gladwin beat Standish-Sterling and Ogemaw Heights upset Gladwin, 27-24, for the championship.

Oscoda also competed at the team district tournament.

Ogemaw Heights will join Petoskey, Kingsford and Pinconning for the team regional tournament at Gaylord on Wednesday, February 26.

Big schools stop GHS skiers in regional ski tournament



SLALOM RACER--Senior Scott Hartman runs a slalom course at Hanson Hills in preparation for the regional ski meet. Hartman placed in the top half of the 102-person slalom field, but he and his teammates failed to qualify for the state tournament.

Petoskey and Traverse City High Schools were the big winners in the Michigan High School Athletic Association regional ski tournament, held February 20 at Schuss Mountain.

The Petoskey girls team won 1st place and the Traverse City boys team took 1st, with the Grayling High School girls finishing 8th and the boys, 9th.

"Our girls finished 8th, which was about where we figured they would be with good skiing," said Coach Mike Wieland. "They had not lost to any teams that were below them and had not beaten any teams above them all season."

"The boys finished 9th, which was about two spots below where we figured we should be," continued Coach Wieland. "Three racers fell in slalom to cost us about 40 points."

Senior Karen Feby was the top skier for the Vikings, with 10th place finishes on both slalom and giant slalom out of 84 skiers.

"Karen missed going to the state finals in giant slalom by .33 seconds," said Wieland.

Senior Angie Harland finished 2nd

overall for Grayling with a 38th in G.S. and 45th in slalom.

Junior Elissa Cox placed 3rd for the Vikings with a 39th in slalom and 45th in G.S.

Senior Tara Bertalan was 41st in slalom and 51st in G.S. Sophomore Jessica McClain, skiing on an injured ankle, placed 42nd in slalom and 55th in G.S. Sophomore Amy Furst placed 64th in slalom and sophomore Suzy Lovely placed 68th in G.S.

Sophomore Jon Noteware was the top overall skier for the Vikings, placing 20th in slalom and 32nd in G.S. out of 102 boys entered.

Senior Jon Renaud placed 11th in G.S., but fell in slalom to place 46th. Senior Scott Hartman placed 43rd and 44th. Junior Clem Lochner finished 24th in G.S. and also fell in slalom for an 83rd. Senior Chris Lehti was 48th in G.S. and fell in slalom to finish 71st.

Junior Josh Wyss placed 2nd for the Vikings in slalom with 39th place and sophomore Mike Hartman placed 46th in G.S.

The ski teams will wrap up the 1992 season with their annual awards banquet in March.



TOES THE LINE--Sophomore Chris Wolcott concentrates on the ball in preparation for a foul shot in the GHS junior varsity basketball game against Lincoln-Alcona last Friday.

JVs nipped at end 57-54 by Gladwin

The Grayling High School boys junior varsity basketball team was defeated by Gladwin, 57-54, on February 18.

Nevertheless, the team played well and consistently, said Coach Warren (Butch) Hayes.

"We had a shot at the horn to go into overtime, but we missed it."

Scoring for Grayling were sophomore Chris Wolcott, 16; freshman Brian Dunkley, 12; sophomore Matt VanSickle, eight; freshman Shane Hinkle, six; sophomores Josh Wells and Brandon Walsh, five each; and Chris DiPonio, three.

"We did not shoot well from the foul line," said Coach Hayes. The Vikings were four for 18 (22%).

"We had four players foul out. We also turned the ball over too many times."

On the plus side, Hayes said Wolcott and Dunkley both turned in good performances.

ALCONA GAME

The JV squad also fell to Lincoln-Alcona, 65-56, on February 21.

However, "the kids played well," said Hayes. "It was a good game in

terms of turnovers. We had only 11. Anything under 20 is pretty decent for us. We're getting better at controlling the ball."

The Vikings' ten for 17 foul shots (59%) were also an improvement over Tuesday night.

Hayes said he was pleased with the team's consistent scoring—two players in double figures and two with nine points each.

Wolcott was scoring leader with 14 and Walsh followed with 12. Hinkle and VanSickle added nine apiece. Sophomore Tim Donahoe and Dunkley added five each; and Wells rounded out the scoring with two points.

"We got good offensive games from Wolcott and Walsh," said Hayes.

VanSickle and Walsh led in the rebounding column with seven and six respectively.

"We made a nice run in the fourth quarter," said Hayes. The score at the end of the third period was 43-34 and "we cut it down."

The junior varsity team travels to Whittemore-Prescott on Friday, February 28, for a 6:15 p.m. game and to Gaylord on Tuesday, March 3, for a 6 p.m. tip-off.

Grayling Recreation Authority

G.S.B. RACE CLINICS

The fifth week of Downhill Skiing Race Clinics sponsored by the Grayling State Bank and the Grayling Recreation Authority took place Sunday, February 23, at 1 p.m. at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Ribbons were handed out for first through fifth places in each of the following age groups.

Grades 1 & 2, Girls: 1st place, McKenzie Siwula, 2nd place, Joni Ames; Boys: 1st place, Nate Haskel, 2nd place, Chet Wheeler, 3rd place, Justin Fenn, 4th place, Larry Baynam.

Grades 3 & 4, Girls: 1st place, Jamie Potter; Boys: 1st place, Luke Ames, 2nd place, Ray Trudgeon, 3rd place, Matt Ginther, 4th place, Nat Everson, 5th place, Eric Pippo, 6th place, John Haskel, 7th place, Arron Mead.

Grades 5 & 6, Girls: 1st place, Brooke Ginther, 2nd place, Kim Hartman, 3rd place, Sarah McCord; Boys: 1st place, Mike Harland, 2nd place, Travis Parkinson, 3rd place, Chris Holborn, 4th place, Scott Bowers.

Grades 7 & 8, Girls: 1st place, Nikki Siwula, 2nd place, Michelle Danko, 3rd place, Marybeth Blaine; Boys: 1st place, Ryan Schlehuber, 2nd place, Jacob Ames; 3rd place Jason Steele.

Everyone participating is a winner and is commended on a job well done. The race clinics are held every Sunday

starting at 1 p.m. at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area, Old Lake Road, Grayling. For more information, please contact the Grayling Recreation Authority at 348-9266.

INDOOR SOCCER

The youth indoor soccer league arranged and sponsored by the Grayling Recreation Authority at Hanson Hills, kicked off the '92 season with 80 participants ranging in ages from kindergarten to fourth grades. With the help of volunteer coaches, the program has exceeded expectations for participation and enthusiasm.

Peewee League

grades kindergarten to first

Rockets, coached by Bonita Chesner 1-0

Stars, coached by Tim Lobsinger 1-0

Comets, coached by Paul Olson 0-1

Lightning, coached by Jody Harland, Russell Strohpaul, Keith Kenny 0-1

Collegiate League

grades second to fourth

Hurricanes, coached by Tammy Johns 1-0

Strikers, coached by Larry Baynam 1-0

Thunderbolts, coached by Tim Jeziorski 0-1

Tornados, coached by Gary Wyman 0-1

Men's Basketball League

Team	W-L	Harland, D. Lange, 3; Fortino, Hartman, 2.
Spikes/Cornell Realty	6-1	
North End Gro./Copper Kettle	5-2	Top scorers: Trenary, 17.7; Junttila, 17.4; Cross, 16.6; Krey, 15.3;
Holiday Inn	4-3	Thompson, 13.3; J. Parkinson, 13.0;
Weyerhaeuser	3-4	Fox, 12.7; Hinkle, 11.8; Larkin, 11.3;
R & H Sports/Bud Lite	2-5	Dick, 11.2.
Dawn Donuts	1-6	
Game Results: North End/Copper Kettle, 69; Junttila, 26; Larkin, 10; Bindschattel, Beckwith, 9; Doremire, 7; Latusek, 6; Bonamie, 2; Weyerhaeuser, 68; Trenary, 28; Pollen, 14; Dandy, 11; Alma, 8; McEvers, 7.		Three-point leaders: Gothro, 100%; Krey, 85%; M. Lange, 83%; D. Lange, 80%; Junttila, 74%; Thompson, 73%; Hartman, 70%; Trenary, 68%; Cross, 67%.
Cornell/Spikes, 47; Thompson, 22; Burkett, 11; C. Hinkle, Fox, 6; Hull, 2.		Foul leaders: Junttila, 26; Hamlin, 25; Hull, 24; Dean, J. Smith, 23; Annis, Dandy, Cross, 21; McEvers, 20; D. Smith, Pollen, 19.
Holiday Inn, 42; Dean, 11; D. Hinkle, 8; Hamlin, D. Smith, 7; Cross, 5; Coors, 4.		Team air: R & H/Bud Lite, 73; Dawn Donuts, 70; Cornell/Spikes, 58; North End Grocery/Copper Kettle, 54; Holiday Inn, 50; Weyerhaeuser, 45.
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Loss drops Vikings out of 1st place race

The Grayling High School boys basketball team lost its last chance for a shot at 1st place in the Lake Huron Division of the Great Northern League, following a 76-61 loss to Lincoln-Alcona on Friday evening.

It was the first time in three seasons that Grayling has lost a conference game at home, said Coach Tom Mills. (The Vikes defeated the Tigers at Alcona on February 8.)

The Vikings led, 36-34, at halftime. But the Tigers came out in the third quarter and scored eight points.

Although the Vikings rallied to 46-45, Alcona then reeled off nine points to Grayling's two, up by six going into the fourth period.

The Vikings trailed from then on and a combination of field goals and free throws in the final minutes gave Alcona its 15-point win.

Junior Eric LaForest was scoring leader with 23 points. Junior Mike Kirmo added 19.

"Grayling didn't get the high percentage shot," said Coach Mills. "The (Alcona) defense was better and

they shot more in the paint."

A problem for Grayling was Alcona's well balanced scoring. The Tigers, who had four players in double figures, made it difficult for the Vikings to focus their attention on defense.

One concern, said Mills, is that GHS managed to get only five offensive rebounds, whereas the norm is 12 to 14 per game.

On the bright side, said Mills, the Vikings were above 60% at the free

throw line for this game and the previous one.

The loss puts Grayling at 4-2 (2nd place) in the division. The Vikings must win one of their final two games to insure themselves a 2nd place finish.

Undeclared Rogers City holds 1st place with Lincoln-Alcona at 3rd (3-3); Whittemore-Prescott, 4th (1-5); and Onaway, 5th (0-6).

GAME AGAINST GLADWIN

The Vikings fell to Gladwin, 67-53, on February 18.

Kirmo was scoring leader with 21 points. LaForest and senior Mark Andrus each added nine points.

The ball game, 33-25 at halftime, was close until the fourth quarter, said Mills.

"Then we missed a few shots and didn't take advantage of a couple of turnovers."

The score, he said, "was not indicative of the game itself. Gladwin never had control. We played good defense, but we had a few breakdowns and they got a few buckets on us and

that was it."

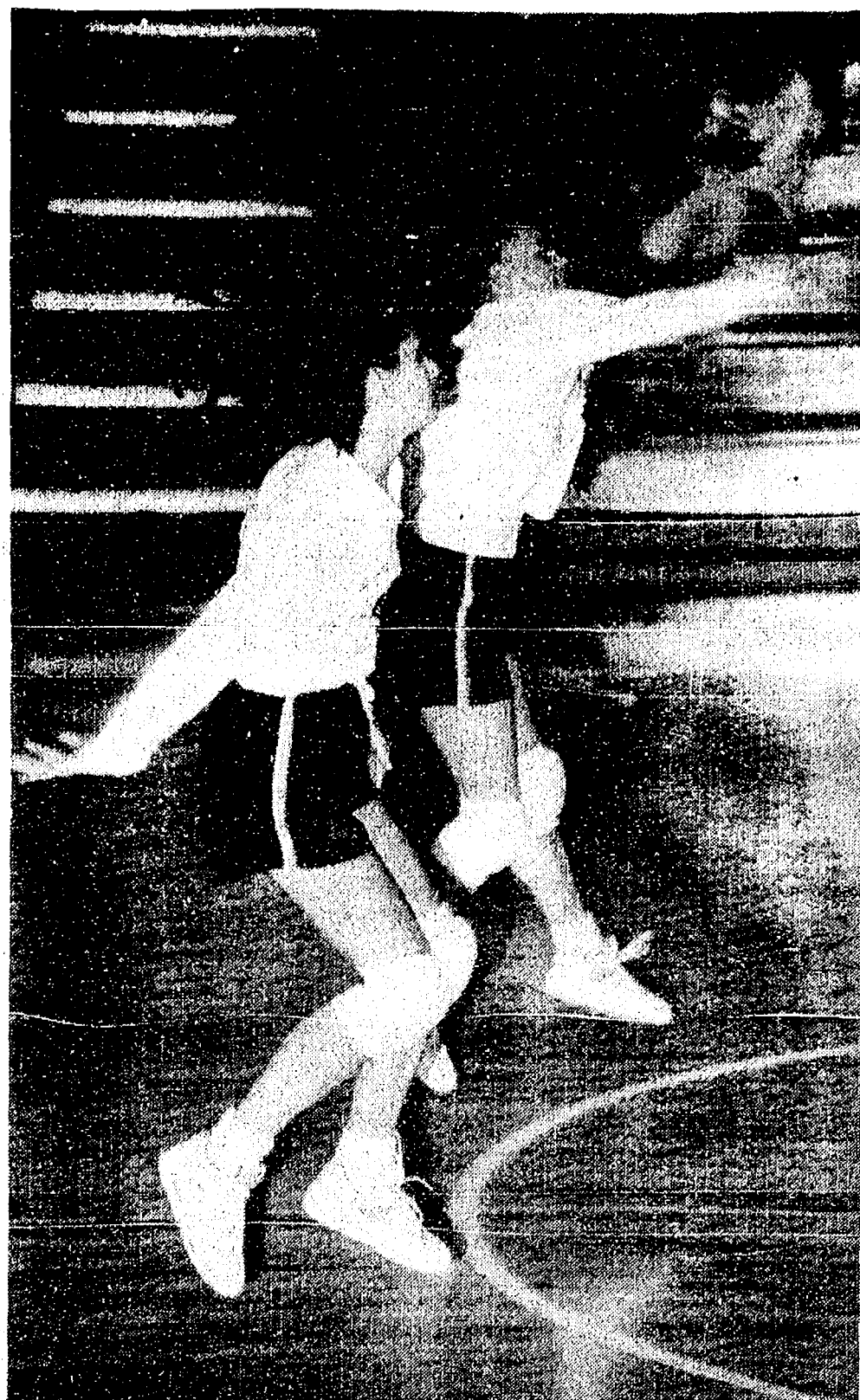
Juniors Mitch McMillan and Steve Branch played fine defense against the Flying Gs, said Mills.

The non-conference teams Grayling has played this year all have over .500 records, continued Mills.

"That benefits us at tournament time, but we'd like to get a couple of wins under our belts now."

The Vikings travel to Whittemore-Prescott on Friday, February 28, and to Gaylord on Tuesday, March 3.

Volleyball squad rallies for five-set victory



GOOD TEAMWORK--Junior Christina Hartwig fakes a spike as sophomore teammate Jaime Andrus pulls off the real thing in the Viking varsity volleyball squad's Parents' Night victory over Lincoln-Alcona last Wednesday.

The Grayling High School varsity volleyball team, displaying a never say die attitude, defeated division opponent Lincoln-Alcona, 3-2 (8-15, 15-6, 15-1, 7-15, 15-11) on February 19.

After a dismal first game, the Vikings rallied to easily win the next two games against the Tigers.

But their concentration faltered again in the fourth game, enabling Alcona to tie the match at two games apiece.

The final game remained close until the end. But Grayling's ability to hold concentration, powerful serves and smart offensive plays enabled them to clinch the victory.

Junior Sara Palmer led in serves with 21. Junior Heidi Craigie followed with 19; junior Christina Hartwig, 13; junior Susan Huss, 12; senior Kris Albee, ten; junior Heather Millikin, six; and juniors Jessica Brown and Patty Puls, five each.

Millikin led in passes with 55. Hartwig had 53; Craigie, 49; Palmer, 32; Albee, 27; junior Jaime Andrus, 17; Puls, 12; Huss, nine; sophomore Jamie McKinney, six; junior Laura Renon, two; and Brown, one.

Craigie led in sets with 64. Millikin, Palmer and Renon added one apiece.

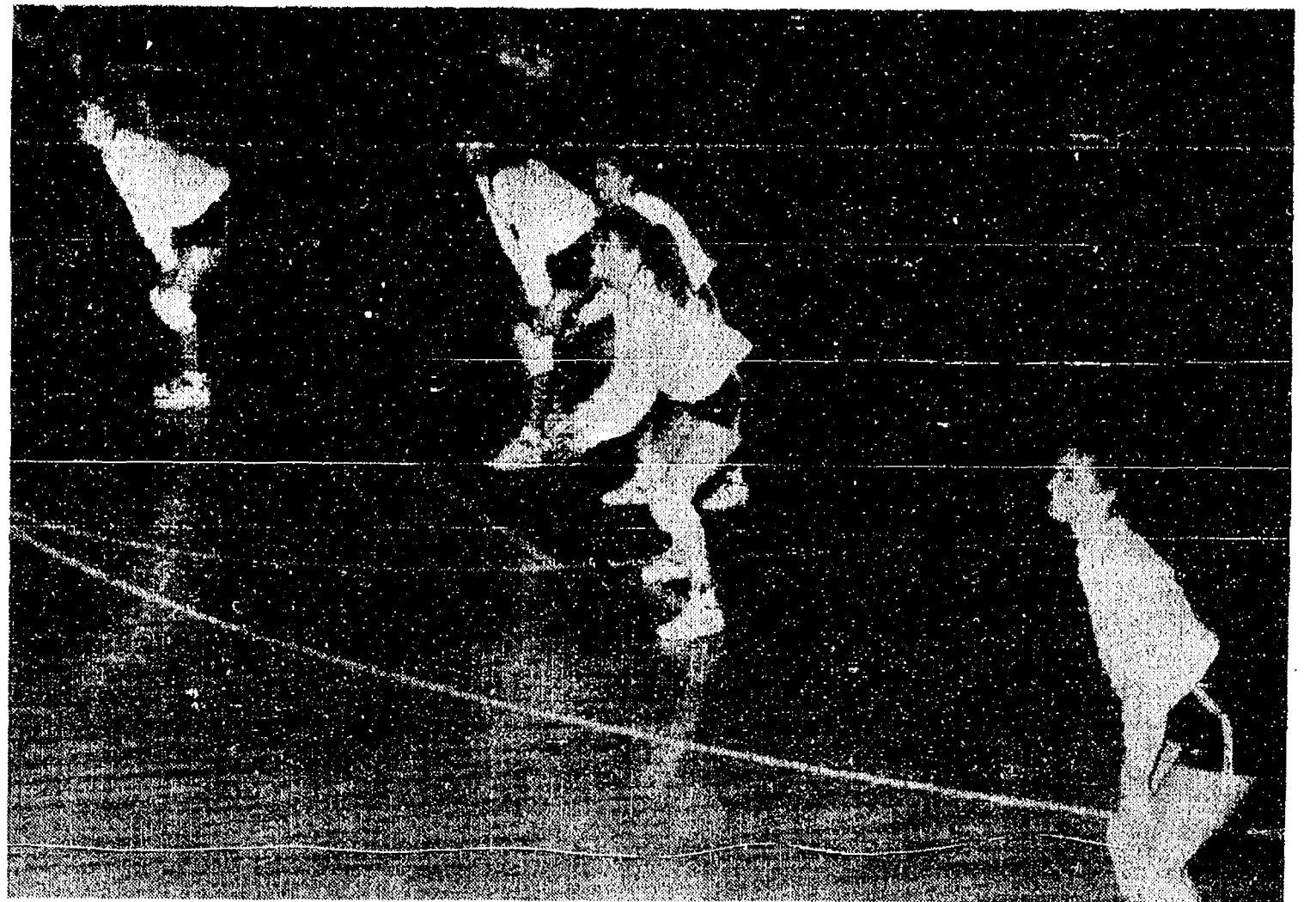
Hartwig had 25 spikes; Millikin, 20; Palmer, 13; Andrus, nine; Craigie,

five; Puls, three; and McKinney, one. Palmer and Craigie had eight tips each; Millikin, six; and Andrus and Puls, one each.

Millikin had 13 blocks; Hartwig, 12; Andrus, three; Palmer, two; and Craigie, one.

Craigie made eight saves; Hartwig,

six; Millikin, two; and Palmer, one. The Vikings travel to Whittemore-Prescott on Wednesday, February 26, and to Gaylord on Monday, March 2.



READY POSITION--Members of the GHS varsity volleyball team ready themselves to return a serve from Lincoln-Alcona: sophomore Jaime Andrus, junior Christina Hartwig, junior Heidi Craigie, junior Susan Huss and junior Heather Millikin.

JV spikers defeat Lincoln-Alcona

The Grayling High School junior varsity volleyball team beat the Lincoln-Alcona Tigers, 2-1 (15-9, 17-15, 9-15), on February 19.

"Everyone contributed to the success of the team," said Coach Michelle Moore. "It's great to see them working together and to see the girls who don't usually play that much come in and be effective."

Sophomore Sandy Pittman led in the serving column with 12. She was followed closely by freshman Carol Lanczy with 11. Sophomore Jennifer Fassinger and freshman Samara Sabin added 6 each.

Lanczy was leading setter with 16. Sophomore Julie Gingerick added six. Pittman was passing leader with 42.

Gingerick had 24; sophomore Mande Mccek, 15; and sophomore Darcie McCurdy, 14.

Pittman had 15 spikes; Mccek, seven; and Sabin, four.

"Jamie Gay, Lynne Rochette, Kim Haske and Danyell Galvani also contributed to the team's win," said Coach Moore.

"The girls have been working hard all season and it's great to see them win. This should boost their confidence as we head into the final games of the season, all of which we have a chance of winning."

MATCH AGAINST ROGERS

The JV Vikes fell to the perennially strong Hurons of Rogers City, 3-0 (0-

15, 11-15, 5-15), on February 12.

"The first game we were completely out of it," said Moore. "Nobody was moving or communicating. In the second game, Sandy Pittman made it close by serving seven straight points and we were able to set the ball up for a few attacks."

However, Moore said the team did not move to the ball.

"We were waiting for it to come to us and when it didn't, we would reach out to hit it without moving our feet. Everyone was running into each other."

"There's something about playing Rogers City that psychs us out," said Moore. "Earlier in the season when we played them we looked out of it, just like we did Wednesday night."

Lanczy led in sets with 11. Pittman had 14 serves, 27 passes and 18 spikes. McCurdy contributed 11 spikes and three blocks.

The Vikings travel to Whittemore-Prescott on Thursday, February 17, for a double header match. On Monday, March 2, they close out their season at Gaylord with a 6 p.m. game against the Blue Devils.

Freshmen lose 2

Lincoln-Alcona slid past the Grayling High School freshman boys basketball team for a 46-45 victory on February 20.

The Vikings played very slowly and made many mistakes in the first half, scoring only 13 points to the Tigers' 26, said Coach Bill Klinger.

After some minor adjustments at halftime, the Vikes came out smoking to score 20 points in the third period and 12 in the fourth.

With 13 seconds remaining in the game, Rande Flowers made a lay-up to give the Vikings a 45-44 lead. Alcona, however, answered by driving to the basket and—after missing one shot—sinking another one at the buzzer to win the game.

"They put on a strong second half performance," said Coach Klinger of his squad.

"Ben Croze, Chip Waite, Jason Weber and Mike Modica started to rebound and Chris Jones and Rande Flowers were leading the fast break. Rande also played a good game on defense. Dan VanNuck made a three-point play to end the third quarter and bring the score to 39-33."

"It was a very exciting game," continued Klinger. "If Grayling would have played in the first half like they did in the second, I think the game would have been different. The young

Vikings never gave up and can be proud of their second half performance."

Croze led in the scoring column with 12 points. Flowers added nine; Jones, eight; Weber, seven; Waite, four; VanNuck, three; and Kucharek, two.

GAME AGAINST GAYLORD

The Vikings were defeated, 58-25, by Gaylord on the 17th.

"The freshmen team played its poorest game of the season against a strong Gaylord team," said Klinger. "We came out flat and really never got in the game. The Blue Devils jumped on the Vikings for a 20-8 lead after the first quarter and just kept on rolling all night."

"The Vikings had their opportunities, but couldn't convert the play to finish off the scoring. Gaylord ran a full court press that caused the Vikings some trouble, but (Grayling's) inconsistent play led to many turnovers that gave the Blue Devils the opportunity to score."

"I don't know what happened because we are a much better team than we showed on Monday. Maybe not being in school had an effect on our play."

Croze again was scoring leader with ten points. Jones added five; Weber, four; Modica, Tony Dobry, two each; and Waite and Matthew Riedner, one each.

Welser tops among state skiers at Midwest regional

Jayson Welser, of Grayling, a senior at Ferris State University, captured first place among all Michigan skiers in the giant slalom and took second among state skiers in the slalom at The United States Ski Association and the National Collegiate Ski Association's Midwest Regional Championships Feb. 22 and 23 at Sugarloaf Resort near Traverse City.

Welser's runs placed him fourth among all skiers in the Midwest Regional in the slalom and tenth among

all skiers in the giant slalom. Welser helped lead Ferris to a third place finish among 22 of the best ski teams in the Midwest qualifying for the championships.

Welser placed first among Ferris ski team members in both slalom and giant slalom. Another Grayling skier, Peter Oppermann, placed fifth among Ferris skiers in the slalom and took a first place in a non-sanctioned speed skiing division. Ralph Oppermann, from

Grayling, also is an excellent competitor in the speed skiing division for Ferris. The two brothers have won medals for Ferris in other ski races this year.

The top three teams from regional championships advance to the nationals held March 12-14 at Lake Placid, New York. This will be the first time Ferris has qualified for the national championships.

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America's Blessings

In his inaugural address on March 4, 1905, President Theodore Roosevelt said: "My fellow citizens, no people on earth have more cause to be thankful than ours, and this is said reverently, in no spirit of boastfulness in our own strength, but with gratitude to the Giver of good who has blessed us with the conditions which have enabled us to achieve so large a measure of well-being and happiness."

"We must show, not merely in great crises, but in the everyday affairs of life, the qualities of practical intelligence, of courage, of hardihood, and endurance, and above all the power of devotion to lofty ideal, which made great the men who founded this Republic..."

"Since the above words were spoken, God has blessed America in this century to a far greater degree than ever before. Today, many people in America look to government as the giver of good and the source of

blessings. The Bible reminds us who this "Giver of good who has blessed us" really is. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." (JAM 1:17). Blessings come to those who seek God first. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (MAT 6:33). "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin [is] a reproach to any people." (PRO 14:34).

The average citizen of America has far more today than those people in 1905 who had achieved "so large a measure of well-being and happiness." Our loss of "well-being and happiness" is largely due to our loss of "gratitude" and "thankfulness" to "the Giver of good who has blessed us." We no longer speak "reverently" of Him in America as our forefathers did. Because we have taken our eyes off of God and His blessings, we have lost "...the qualities of practical intelligence,

of courage, of hardihood, and endurance, and above all the power of devotion to lofty ideal, which made great the men who founded this Republic."

Instead of fighting each other like vultures over diminishing blessings, it is time to repent of our sins, and turn back to the God who alone is the source of all good.

"If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people: If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2CH 7:13, 14).

Pastor "B"

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Bits Of Talk

by Fay Bovee

Jack and Joan Harwood Rasmusson celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a Mass at St. Mary's on Sunday, February 23. They were married at St. Mary's on February 23, 1952. Following the Mass the family went to the Holiday Inn for breakfast. They have four children, Joy Bobenmoyer, John II, Joel, and Jason, all of Grayling, and thirteen grandchildren.

Joel Rasmusson has been attending M.E.D.O.C. school in Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, since Christmas. He will be home in April.

Mark and Loraine Whaley of West Chester, Ohio (near Cincinnati) are pleased to announce the arrival February 11, 1992, of Brandon Scott Whaley, weighing 6 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces, and measuring 19 3/4" long. Grandparents are Earl and Loretta Whaley of Grayling, and Thomas and Francis Henderson of Westland, MI.

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Michelson to host choir festival Sunday

On Sunday afternoon, March 1, Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will host a Choir Festival. United Methodist Church choirs from across northern Michigan will begin assembling at the church by 2 p.m.

The first activity of the festival will be a rehearsal for those choirs which will participate in a Mass Choir Concert later in the day. The Mass Choir will have a membership of

between 80 and 100 vocalists coming from seven different choirs. The group will prepare six numbers which will be presented in a public concert at 5 p.m.

Beginning at 5 p.m. six different choirs will each present one number in concert for the public. This will be followed by the Mass Choir concert. Members of the public are cordially invited to attend this performance.

17th annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper at St. Francis

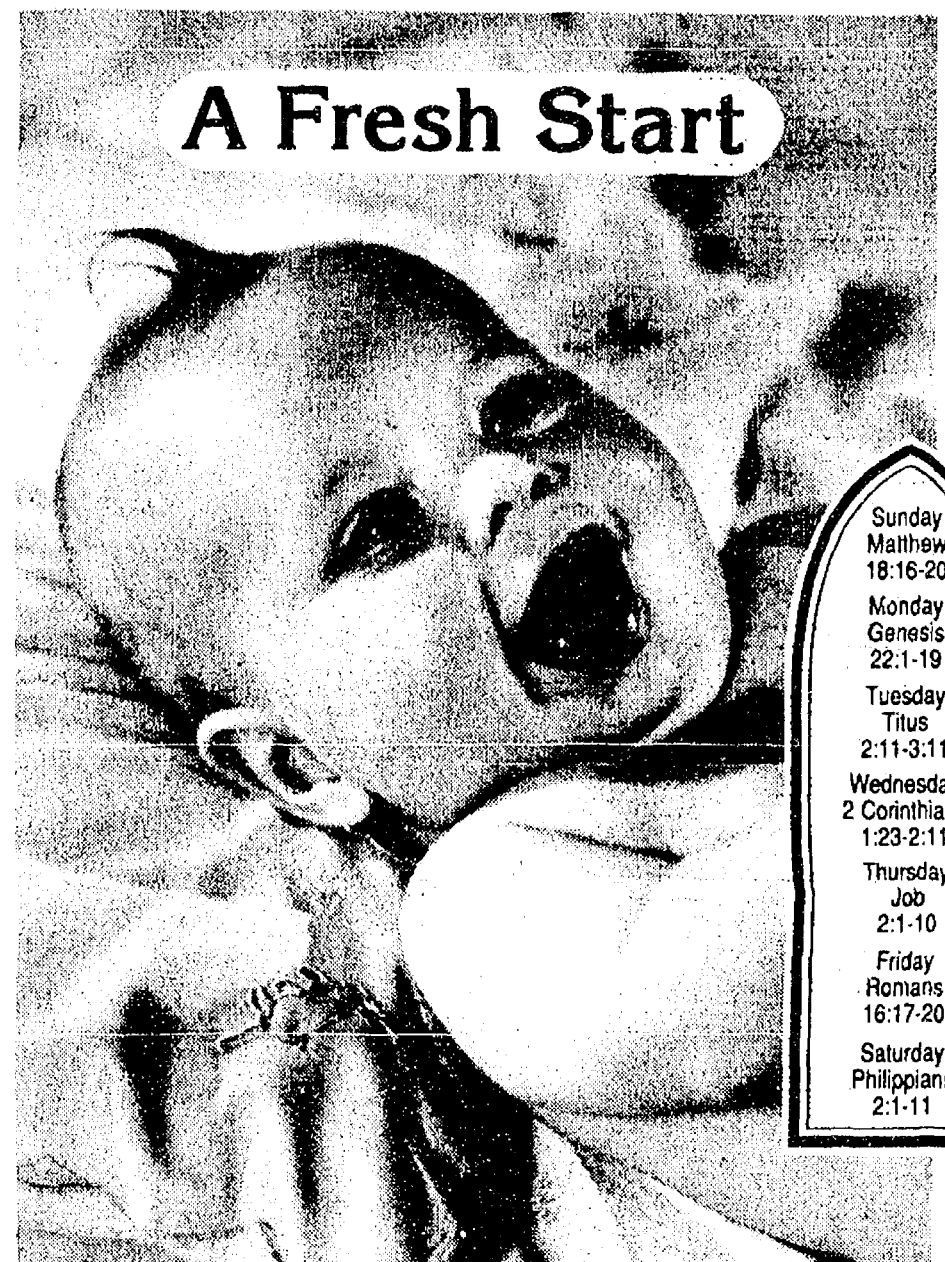
St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West is sponsoring its 17th Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Tuesday, March 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the church's parish hall.

Donations will be \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12, and children

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Senior Citizen News

By Jan Farley

The boys from the Shawano Center have invited the seniors out for an afternoon of "Fun Bingo" on Friday, February 28. There will be transportation from the Center leaving at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to go, give us a call (348-7123). We need to know the number so that transportation will be available. Let us know by Friday noon and I know you will have a great time.

The people from Better Hearing will be here on Wednesday, March 4, from 9 to 2. They do hearing screening and help with questions and problems with

hearing aids. Walk-in basis.

Our monthly Foot Clinic is on Thursday, March 5, and we still have some openings so give us a call for an appointment (348-7123).

Please save your Spartan labels for us, just the UPC code, however, no pop cans. We can get 2 cents each and we want to save up for new cups so that we can have all glass. Thanks for saving the green slips too, we really appreciate your efforts.

The Mepps Voucher Program for prescription drugs has been reinstated and they are available at the Center. If you think you might qualify call us

(348-7123) or drop into the Senior Citizen's Center.

Congregate meals are served at 12 noon and five o'clock. Call for reservations, 348-7123. Donation for seniors, \$1.50, and \$2.50 cost for those under 60. Menus listed as **Lunch/Dinner:**

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Tuesday 3-Chopped Sirloin/

Chicken Ala King;
Wednesday-4-Breaded Fish/Ham;
Thursday-5-Meatballs/Oven Pork & Veg;
Friday-6-BBQ Chicken;

Special Dates:

March 2-Advisory Council Meeting, 10 a.m.
March 3-Cards Night 5:30 p.m.
March 4-Better Hearing Clinic, 9 to 2, and Funfest at noon.
March 5-Foot Clinic, by appointment.
March 6-11:30-Frederic Satellite.

Range Firing

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on February 26 and cease on March 4.

The Small Arms ranges located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on February 26 and cease on March 4.

Range 13, Mortar Range located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Road and on the east by Carrier Road. Firing will begin on February 26 and cease on March 4.

Range 20, Demolition Range located south of Howe Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road, and east of the gas pipeline. Firing will begin on February 26 and cease on March 4.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Firing will begin on February 26 through March 4.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Firing will be from February 26 through March 4.

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A. Lots 035, 064, 050, 052, 127, 142, 143, and 152, Plat of Warbler's Hideaway, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 12, Crawford County Records; B. Lot 298, 265, and 266, Plat of Warbler's Hideaway No. 2, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 17, Crawford County Records; C. Lot 401 in Plat of Warbler's Hideaway No. 3, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 18, Crawford County Records; D. Lots 043 and 063 in Plat of Northern Heights, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 27, Crawford County Records; E. Lot 372 in Plat of Northern Heights No. 3, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 38, Crawford County Records.

Lots will be sold "as is" and without any representation as to marketability of title and/or obligation to pay delinquent taxes. Dated: 1/17/92

Grace Dopp Wegner
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306 State Street
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Crawford County Sheriff Department

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Crawford Publication and Notice of Hearing

File No. 92-4930-NC

In the matter of JACQUELINE ANN DINGEE.

TAKE NOTICE: On Wednesday, March 18, 1992, at 9:00 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Grayling, Michigan, before Hon. JOHN G. HUNTER Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Jacqueline Ann Dingee for change of name to Jacqueline Ann Hale. February 21, 1992. Jacqueline Ann Dingee PO Box 136 Grayling, MI 49738 517-348-1195

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD PUBLICATION NOTICE Independent Probate

File No. 92-4928-IE ESTATE OF WALTER ALLINGTON, DECEASED

Social Security No. 369-14-0664. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The Decedent, whose last known address was Route 2, Box 2406, Old Lake Road, Grayling, Michigan, died January 26, 1989.

An instrument dated July 10, 1980, has been admitted as the Will of the decedent.

CREDITORS of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Independent Personal Representative, RUTH S. ALLINGTON, c/o B. J. Humphreys, 3057 Davenport Avenue, Saginaw, MI, 48602, and the CRAWFORD COUNTY PROBATE COURT, Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan, Grayling, MI, 49738, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

DATED: February 20, 1992. RUTH S. ALLINGTON 1413 Gratiot Saginaw, MI, 48603 B. J. HUMPHREYS (P15268) Attorney for Estate Smith & Brooker, P.C. 3057 Davenport Avenue Saginaw, MI 48602 (517) 799-1891

Grayling City Council Proceedings January 27, 1992

Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Golnick, Schreiner, Stevens, Ruddy, Akers. Members Absent: None. Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Verna Cummings, City Treasurer, Kay Ellen King, Patricia Schreiner, Marcia Koppa, Janet Young, John Blair, Scott Runsey, Kevin Graham.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Schreiner, that the minutes of the meeting of January 13, 1992, be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak. Patricia Schreiner thanked the D.P.W. Crew for getting out and keeping the city streets plowed this winter.

Communications were received and noted. Grayling Housing Commission Minutes of 1-9-92.

County Flow Control Ordinance. M.M.L. Legislative Bulletins.

Old Business: Xerox Copier Bid Opening. One bid was received in amount of \$350 from Marv Hallett.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to accept the bid of \$350 for the 1984 Xerox Copier from Marv Hallett. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Update on Sewer Project. Mr. Morford gave an update of the Sewer Project and noted that we are on time and on budget.

New Business: Audit Report Review. John Blair and Scott Runsey were here from Hill, Schroderus & Co. to answer questions from Council regarding the 1990-91 FY Audit. John Blair presented the Audit Report to Council and discussed several items related to the Sewer Construction. Scott Runsey presented the Summary Audit Report to Council. Council thanked John Blair and Scott Runsey for attending this meeting and for all of the help they have given the City over the past year.

Income Tax on Computer.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Schreiner to contract with Computer Works to put our City Income Tax program on Computer for a price not to exceed \$3,000 as outlined in the letter of January 23, 1992. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Reports of City Manager. Mr. Morford reported on the following.

Canoe Race Schedule, last Saturday in July.

Federal Flood Insurance Program has been applied for and has tentative approval. Final approval should be by March 1, 1992.

Legislative Conference on February 19, 1992, in Lansing. Morford, Golnick, and Stevens to attend.

Meeting with John Hartman and Consumers Power last week. City will receive better service as a result of parallel lines from St. Helen to 4 Mile Road in 1992.

Transportation & Public Works Meeting in Ann Arbor last Friday. Mr. Morford went over with Council many of the topics discussed at this meeting.

Street Lights South of town on I-75 BL meeting with Consumers Power. Mr. Morford will continue to work with Consumers and report back.

Mercy Hospital is hosting "After Hours" January 30, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. at Chief Shoppensong's.

C-Tec Cable Systems communication lowering rates for premium services. Mr. Morford has been attending all the Chamber Board Meetings since his appointment as ex-officio member from the City.

Reports of Council Members. Mr. Golnick would like the City to order a fax machine. Mr. Morford will check into this and bring a report back to Council for the next meeting.

Adjournment.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Schreiner that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Jerry W. Morford City Manager & City Clerk

Grayling Township Board Regular Meeting February 11, 1992

Members present: M. McNamara, J. Medler, R. O'Mara, M. Ashton, A. Stancil. Members absent: None. Citizens attending: Bob McLachlan, Gary Crosby, Petra Hellthaler, Rebecca Deline.

Meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Stancil.

Motion by O'Mara/Medler, carried, to approve minutes of January 14, 1992. All ayes.

Motion by McNamara/Ashton, carried, to accept the Treasurer's report of January 31, 1992. All ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required) DNR, 1-23-92 acknowledgement of receipt of AuSable Millpond Resolution; Crawford Emergency Central Dispatch 1991 Activities Report; Crawford AuSable School District Board Happenings, 1-92; DNR 1-22-92 RE: City of Grayling Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Grayling Generating Station Foremain Crawford County State Permit #9220702; Crawford County Comm., 1-29-92 letter of appreciation for Sue Medler & Grayling Twp. for work on E-911 project; Crawford County Road Commission, RE: Driveway Permits; DNRRE: Recreation Grant Application information for 1992.

CITIZENS WHO WISH TO SPEAK: Bob McLachlan, of Milltown Refuse, introduced Gary Crosby of City Environmental Services of Northern Michigan, Inc. "CES" has acquired certain assets previously owned by Milltown Refuse. As of February 1, 1992, CES will be servicing the Township's solid waste collection and disposal needs for the transfer station on N. Down River Road formerly handled by Milltown.

BUSINESS: Motion by Ashton/McNamara, carried, to designate the Grayling Township Supervisors as the person responsible for accepting Federal Surplus Property, with the power and full authority to sign for such surplus property in the event that such property is authorized for purchase by this Board. All ayes.

Motion by McNamara, support by O'Mara, to contribute an amount to the County of Crawford equal to the percentage of emergency service responses originating from Grayling Township that were answered by North Flight Ambulance Service over the last six months divided into \$18,000, but not to exceed \$4,000, to be used toward completion of the ambulance facility located at the DNR complex at Michigan Ave. and N. Down River Rd.

Roll call: McNamara, aye; O'Mara, aye; Medler, aye; Ashton, aye; Stancil, aye. Motion carried. Motion by O'Mara, support by McNamara, to authorize Supervisor to notify the Crawford County Commission that Grayling Township is willing to participate in the 1992 Gypsy Moth Suppression Program and agrees to supply the labels and invoices on or before April 1, 1992. Ayes, five; nays, none; motion carried.

Motion by McNamara/Medler, carried, that in order to keep the Township's Manulife Financial Defined Contribution Pension Plan for Governmental Employees current with federal regulations, the Clerk and Supervisor be authorized to sign an updated adoption agreement. Ayes, five; nays, none.

REPORTS: Building Dept. (on file), G.R.A. (on file), C.C.T.A., by O'Mara, Airport Update. Seminar: Telephone Skills table to March 10, 1992.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Medler, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 14533 through 14571 for \$11,740.29, Guardian auto check for \$200.20 and Board/Commission fees of \$346.00 for a total of \$12,286.49.

Roll call: O'Mara, aye; Medler, aye; McNamara, aye; Ashton, aye; Stancil, aye. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by O'Mara, carried. Monica S. Ashton, CMC Grayling Township Clerk

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LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Lovells Township Board of Review organizational meeting to review assessment roll will meet Tuesday, March 3, 1992, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

The board will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 9, 1992, and Tuesday, March 10, 1992, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Lovells Township Hall.

The following are the tentative ratios and factor for all classes of property in Lovells Township.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000

Frederick Schaibly
Lovells Township Supervisor

PUBLIC HEARING

The Crawford County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing, Wednesday, March 4, 1992, at 7:00 in the Commissioners Room, County Building, Grayling, MI. This Commission proposes to amend the CRAWFORD COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE #90-1, Section 26.02 by changing the number of members on the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals from three (3) to five (5) members.

Written comments, relating to this request, will be received by the County Zoning Administrator, 200 W. Michigan, Grayling, MI 49738.

CITY OF GRAYLING BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board will receive taxpayers on March 9, 1992, from 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 5 pm at the City Office located at 103 S. James St., Grayling, MI.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Commercial	50.00	1.000
Residential	50.00	1.000
Personal	50.00	1.000
Industrial	50.00	1.000

Larry D. Hunter
City Assessor

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Maple Forest Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall on Sherman Road. March 3, 1992, 6 pm - 9 pm, to review Assessment Roll. March 9, 1992, 1 pm - 4 pm & 6 pm - 9 pm, to meet with taxpayers. March 21, 1992, 9 am - 12 noon, to meet with taxpayers.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	49.54	1.0000
Personal	49.45	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss
Supervisor

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates: Tuesday, March 3rd for an organizational meeting at 10:00 am., Monday & Tuesday, March 9th and 10th to meet with taxpayers from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000

Mary M. Mollon, Clerk

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 3, 1992, at 10:00 am at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way for the purpose of reviewing the 1992 assessment roll. The "Board" will re-convene at the same address Monday, March 9, 1992 and Tuesday, March 10, 1992, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm to listen to appellants.

Petitioners will be received on a "First come, first-served" basis.

Following are the tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Grayling Township.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000

Monica S. Ashton, CMC
Arnold T. Stancil, Supervisor

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW WILL MEET: 1st meeting When: March 3 & 4, 1992. Time: 9 am to 12 noon/1 pm to 5 pm Where: Frederic Township, 7584 Kelly Ave. Purpose of Meeting: To review assessment roll

2nd Meeting When: March 9 & 10, 1992. Time: 9 am to 12 noon/1 pm to 5 pm. Where: Frederic Township Hall, 7584 Kelly Ave. Purpose of Meeting: To meet with taxpayers.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000

Harold Mertes
Supervisor

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 3, 1992, at 11 am at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 1992 Assessment roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 9, 1992, and Tuesday, March 10, 1992, from 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 4 pm at the Township Hall.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.000
Commercial	50.00	1.000
Residential	50.00	1.000
Personal	50.00	1.000
Industrial	50.00	1.000

John Hartman
Township Supervisor

PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Crawford through the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development office is proposing to make application for a Housing Preservation Grant through Farmers Home Administration. The grant application will be for \$150,000 to be used for very-low and low-income families, county-wide, single family units, owner-occupied for housing rehabilitation which would contribute to the health, safety and well being of the occupants as well as contribute to the structural integrity or long term preservation of the unit without discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, or physical or mental handicap if such person has capacity to contract.

The proposed project will provide loan funds through the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community development office to rehabilitate single family owner-occupied housing.

Comments will be accepted at the Crawford County Courthouse in the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development office between 8:30 am and noon or between 1:00 pm and 4:30 pm. Monday through Friday. The courthouse is located in downtown Grayling at the south end of Michigan Avenue. Anyone wishing to telephone in comments may do so during the same times at (517) 348-2841, ext. 253. Comments will be accepted until April 15, 1992.



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NOTICE TO BIDDERS CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners at their office, 500 Huron Street, Post Office Box 648, Grayling, Michigan 49738 or FAX to 517-348-6933 until 10:00 am, Friday, March 27, 1992, for the following:

- One (1) each Diesel Tandem Truck Cab/Chassis
- Two (2) each 12' hopper type spreader boxes
- One (1) each 12' mold board underbody scraper
- One (1) each snow plow frame and hoist
- Set up and equip, including all hydraulic pumps, valves and piping, on one highway maintenance truck.

Specifications may be obtained at the Road Commission office on or after March 2, 1992.

BIDS MUST BE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE MARKED AS TO CONTENTS.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to make the award deemed in the best interest of the Crawford County Road Commission.

BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
OF CRAWFORD COUNTY

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-20-27/3

NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION

POSTING DATE: February 27, 1992.
POSITION: Central Office Receptionist/Secretary for Assistant Superintendent.
DESCRIPTION: This position is for 260 days per year at 8 hours per day from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.
QUALIFICATIONS: The individual must have the ability to communicate in a positive manner with the public and school personnel; possess necessary skills to operate the central telephone switchboard; demonstrate abilities in the areas of organization and filing; possess computer keyboard skills; maintain confidentiality.
SALARY: According to Master Agreement.
REPLY TO: Paul B. Larg, Assistant Superintendent, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.
APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 11, 1992, 4:00 pm. -27-5/3

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Hough earns Alma honors

Senior Amy Hough of Grayling, is among the Alma College students named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic performance during the 1991 Fall term which ended December 13.

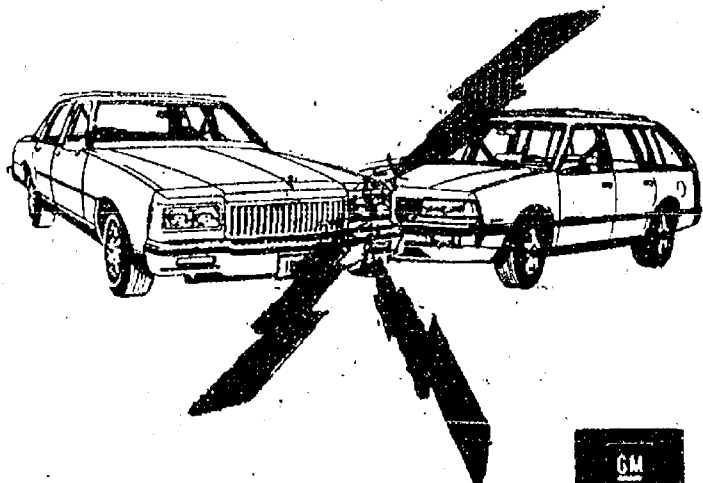
Students who achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average during a term, while carrying a minimum of 13 credits (at least 8 of which are evaluative grades), are named to the Dean's List.

Hough, a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School, is the daughter of Dr. James and Mrs. Florence Hough, 4978 Dawn Dr., Grayling. She is majoring in English at Alma College.



CARDIAC REHAB—Graduates and current participants in Mercy Hospital's Cardiac Rehab program gathered for a luncheon recently to celebrate National Cardiac Rehab Week. The program has helped them to regain strength, build confidence and feel better after suffering from heart disease. Pictured are (from left, seated) Barney Randolph, Wayne Wilson, Jerry Rittershafer, Bud Ferree, John Wilcox; (standing) Anthony Albosta, Bernard Bast, Herb Westfall, Lyle Baldwin, Robert Hamp, Jack Jordan, Jerome Kessler, Duane Crowl, and Raymond Hummel.

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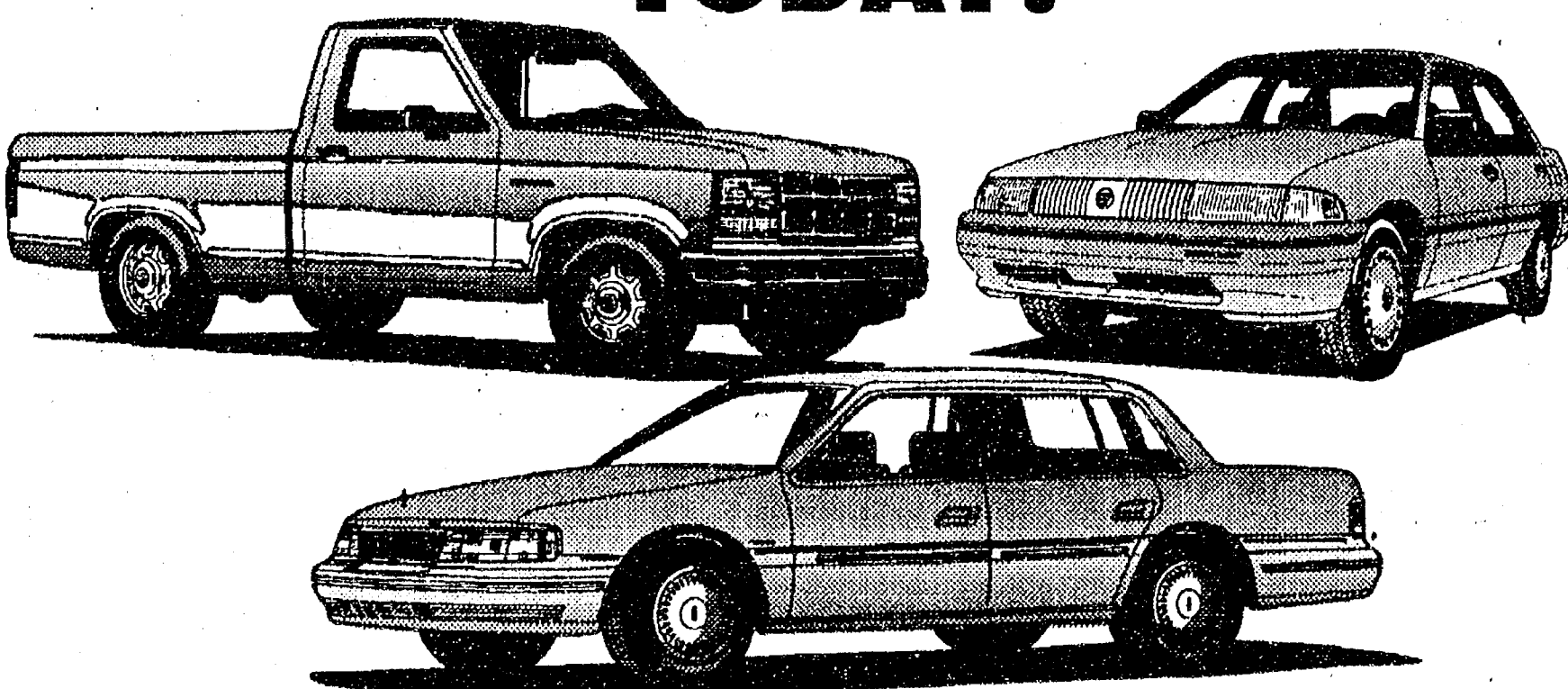
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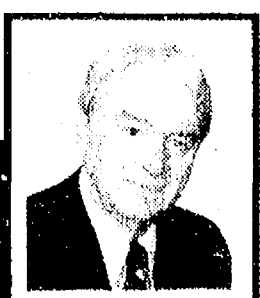
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Camp Grayling fire fighters help build Panama roads

By Shirley D. Schmoock

SSG Donald Sawall, one of a 5-man unit from Camp Grayling's 1439th EN DET, fire fighting unit, has just returned from Panama as part of an active duty special work tour named Fuertes Caminos (fire roads).

From January through June of 1992, U.S. troops have volunteered to assist in rebuilding roads and in erecting schools and other buildings for the citizens of the Panamanian highlands. Under the Panama Canal Treaty of 1903, the United States built a military road from ocean to ocean, established an air force base and laid pipe from Cristobal to Balboa to carry fuel for the navy ships patrolling the area to protect the canal.

But without continual and proper maintenance, the years have taken a terrible toll on the country's infrastructure, a network of sadly kept interior roads and trails. The railroad, which once carried the men and equipment required to build the monolithic canal, is no longer in use, its tracks and trestlework overgrown

with weeds and a tangle of flowering vines.

When Sawall landed in Panama City some weeks back, he said "the 90° heat was filled with unbelievable humidity. It was like taking plastic out of a washing machine and trying to wear it."

Past efforts to settle European peoples in Panama have always met with mixed success, so overwhelming is the tropical climate. And Sawall was told it was the dry season.

The fire fighting support group was in process, Sawall says, "in huge bubbles at least 40 X 100 feet, where a staging area was set up for the troops going on the detail. We were told about the poisonous snakes, but we never saw even one of those. I was also surprised that there were no bugs or mosquitoes considering the humidity was so high. But after we drew our gear, we were told to carry our weapons and gas masks everywhere we went.

"Our interpreter was a swell guy. He was married but had no children.

The people we met all seemed sort of nervous at first, but I guess they're afraid of anybody wearing a uniform. Once they got to know us though, they couldn't have been nicer to us. We travelled around the area on the Pan-Am Highway, but it looked more like Old U.S. 27. Nothing much is kept up over there," he said.

POOR AND PRIMITIVE

When Sawall and his group were transported out of the modern environs of Panama City and into the interior where they were to meet their mission post, they found themselves being carried by helicopter compliments of the U.S. Air Force pilots who followed the winding Pan-Am Highway. "The land was rolling and very green," said Sawall. "There are so many flowers that the place looks like a paradise. But it's not. It's poor and primitive."

Water was scarce. Sawall spoke of how the streets were said to run with water during the rainy season. But the country becomes nearly barren during the dry season, and "we had to fill our truck with a water bladder. And that truck," he laughed, obviously enjoying his remembrances, "outfitting the truck they gave us was really something beyond belief. I guess when it was shipped over to Panama, somebody on the boat left the lights on because the battery was fried when we got it. It took us days to find the right stuff to fix it with."

Telephones were also scarce. "If you have a telephone, it's a status symbol, not an everyday thing. And a car? If a guy had a car, he was considered rich."

NO JUNGLE

When the group was landed, Sawall went on to describe the colorful details of the open air markets each town had, and how surprised he was to find no actual jungle there at all. "The hills were pretty and underbrush was thick,

but there were no tall trees with vines hanging down. I thought it would be more like the South where all of the moss hangs off the trees," he said.

"Most of the area we saw was rural. Lots of horses and bicycles. They have a good bus system though, and the markets were the best. You could buy a hand-tooled leather saddle for \$85. They used our money but they bartered too. They had coins called Balboas, but mostly they wanted American money."

OTHERS TO GO

The group was posted in a town named Santiago, a rural community of approximately 20,000. This is where the 1439th was destined to spend its 'tour'... 150 miles south and west of Panama City. In discussing Fuertes

Caminos '92 with SSG Dan Ellis of Camp Grayling, he seemed genuinely envious of the troops working on the 'tour.'

"When we came back from Saudi," he explained why he was not able to go with them, "all the equipment had to be checked, listed and accounted for. I just couldn't get away. We'll be rotating others in and out until the tour is finished," offering the names of SGT Baldwin, SGT Wm. Ellis, SPC Perry, SSG Shepherd, and SSG Sawall as being the first to go from Grayling. "Replacements will be SPC Stahl, SPC Cammack, and SSG Griffin."

"They'll probably all be eligible for the Humanitarian Service Medal," SSG Ellis then said, "Sure wish I would be with them. I know they'll all do a great job. What an experience."



SSG Donald Sawall

M.A.T.E.S. employees win work performance awards

By Shirley D. Schmoock

The Incentive Awards winners at M.A.T.E.S. obtain cash money for their various achievements, but winning is not by the luck of any draw. An examination of the review process for each employee is dependent upon what MAJ Bobenmoyer, M.A.T.E.S. Superintendent, calls "Sustained Superior Performance. To be eligible, the employee's actual work record must be directly linked with performance levels exceeding the merits as set forth in the Performance, Appraisal."

This review and appraisal is an annual event. It consists of numerous categories, each relating to the employee's own job and/or area of

expertise. The employee ratings range from outstanding down to unacceptable. This system is based upon a "generic set of standards. Each duty carries a national designation for performance," says Bobenmoyer, "and each employee is graded on how he or she fits into their work environment."

An employee is only eligible every three years, so maintaining the personal discipline required to stay in the upper 80 percentile of the rating system can be no easy task. Some of the categories rated in this annual process are repair, troubleshooting, inspection, maintenance, support and security of any given piece of equipment or job assignment. Training and personal

development are also primary elements of the evaluation, combined with "other duties" as more specifically defined by each job category. A possible high of 100 is a perfect score, but it takes consistency in the work place to even be considered for an Incentive Award. Former winners at M.A.T.E.S. are Mitchell Buchanan, Thomas Dawson, Michael (Mick) McNamara, and Earl Whaley, all now retired. Current employees who had earned awards are Gary Derenzy, Randall Richardson, Robert Gennrich, Edward Lee, Michael Kucharek, Wayne Foucart, Michael Gorman, Marina Johnson, Duane R. Cassidy, James Failing, and Bruce Dale.



M.A.T.E.S. AWARD WINNERS--Back row, (left to right) Gary Derenzy, Randall Richardson, Robert Gennrich, Edward Lee, Michael Kucharek, Wayne Foucart, Michael Gorman, Marina Johnson, Duane R. Cassidy, James Failing

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The South 327.57' of the North 982.71' of that part of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 11, T27N, R4W, lying East of state highway US-27, also the South 327.57' of the North 982.71' of the West 328' of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 11, T27N, R4W, except therefrom that part which lies within the East 165' of the West 330' of the North 660' of the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 11, T27N, R4W, also the East 80.36' of the West 328' of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 except the North 982.71' thereof, Section 11, T27N, R4W.

Written comments relating to the request will be received by the County Zoning Administrator, County Building Annex, Grayling, MI, 49738, prior to the hearing date.

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